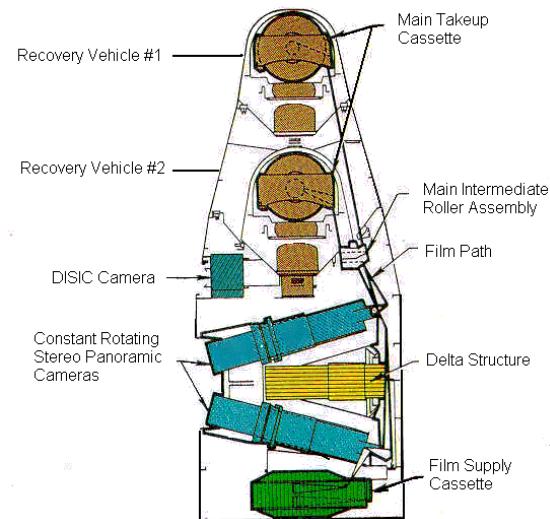
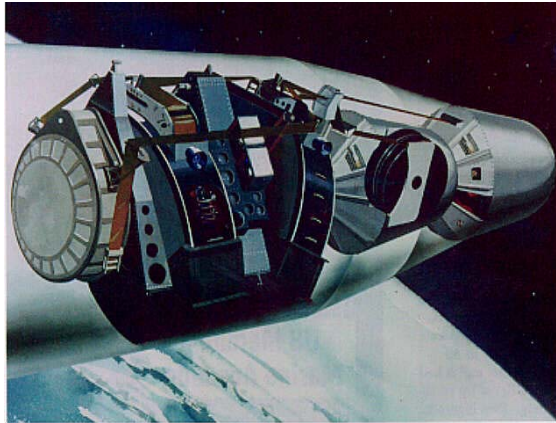


# Remote Sensing

## Chapter 3

Richard Christopher Olsen

# Corona Satellite



KH4B, or J3 camera. DISIC=Dual Improved Stellar Index Camera

## New York Times

"All the News  
That's Fit to Print"

## The New York Times.

LATE CITY EDITION

U. S. Weather Bureau Report (Page 36) forecast:  
Partly cloudy and warm today; fair  
tonight. Some cloudiness tomorrow.  
Temp. range: 80-63; yesterday: 71-59.4.  
Temp.-Hum. Index: low 70's; yesterday: 70.

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10 cents beyond 30-mile zone from New York City  
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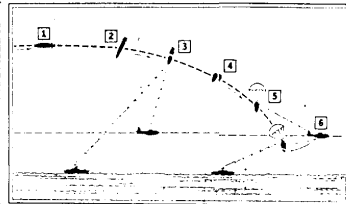
FIVE CENTS

## SPACE CAPSULE IS CAUGHT IN MID-AIR BY U. S. PLANE ON RE-ENTRY FROM ORBIT

### FLIERS ARE CITED

Vehicle Is Recovered  
8,500 Feet Up in  
C-119's 'Trapeze'

By The Associated Press.  
HONOLULU, Aug. 19.—A United States Air Force plane today caught a space capsule dropped from a satellite. A C-119 Flying Boxcar, on its third attempt, snared the eighty-four-pound capsule 8,500 feet over the Pacific Ocean.  
The device that caught the capsule was a trapeze-like hook dangling from the plane's belly. It snared the shrouds of the parachute carrying the capsule toward the ocean.  
The capsule had been ejected over Alaska by Discoverer XIV on its seventeenth orbit at 116 to 502 miles above the earth.  
Capt. Harold E. Mitchell, 35 years old, of Bloomington, Ill., who was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross immediately after the recovery, said the capsule was "experimental" animal.



RECOVERY: While orbiting earth (1), satellite is tilted by gas jets into re-entry position (2). Capsule is separated, slowed by retro-rocket (3) and started down (4). Then a parachute opens (5). The satellite's radio guides planes to scene, where one aircraft (6) snags capsule.

## Russians Orbit a Satellite Carrying 2 Dogs and TV

By WALTER SULLIVAN  
Special to The New York Times.

MOSCOW, Aug. 19.—The Soviet Union launched an earth satellite today weighing more than five tons as an important step in its man-in-space program. On board, according to the announcement, were "experimental" animals.

## SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS TOMORROW ON CRISIS IN CONGO

Lumumba Lays 'Blackmail'  
to Hammarskjöld, Who  
Assails Incidents

Two Hammarskjöld documents  
will be found on Page 6.

By LINDESAY FARROTT  
Special to The New York Times.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Aug. 19.—The Security Council was called today to meet at 12:30 P. M. Sunday in emergency session to consider the deepening crisis in the Congo.

The summons was sent by Armand Bérand of France, president for this month of the eleven-nation body. The Congolese delegation will be headed by Deputy Premier Antoine Gizenga, special representative of Premier Lumumba.

The Council meeting, originally scheduled tentatively for tomorrow, had been postponed for twenty-four hours to give the Congolese delegation time to confer with representatives from other African states before making their appearance at the Council table. As non-members, the delegation may speak but not vote in the Council.

## POWERS GETS A 10-YEAR SENTENCE; SOVIET ASSERTS PENALTY IS MILD, BUT EISENHOWER FINDS IT SEVERE



### U-2 TRIAL ENDED

3 Years to Be in Prison  
—Rest May Be Spent  
Working in Russia

Excerpts from pleas and text  
of the verdict, Page 2.

By OSGOOD CARUTHERS  
Special to The New York Times.

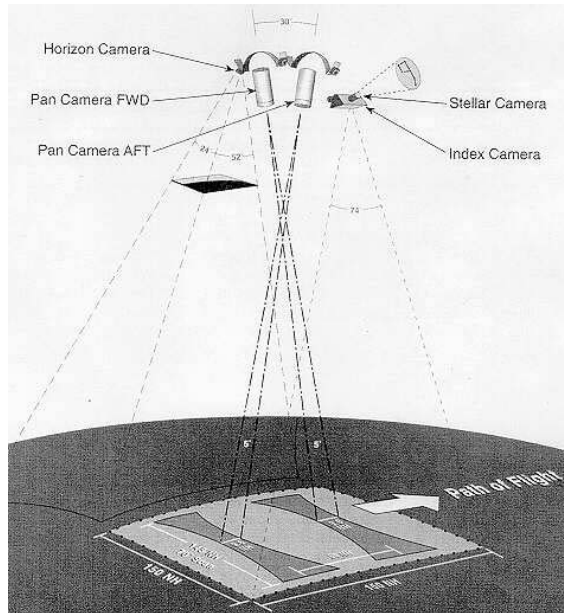
MOSCOW, Aug. 19.—Francis Gary Powers was found guilty today of espionage for the United States and sentenced to ten years' loss of liberty.

The first three years will be spent in prison, the Soviet's highest military tribunal ordered.

This apparently meant that the pilot, who was 31 years old Wednesday, would be released from prison and sent to a remote and restricted area of the Soviet Union to work out the remaining seven years of the

For comparison, GRAB, the first ELINT satellite, was launched  
June 23, 1960.

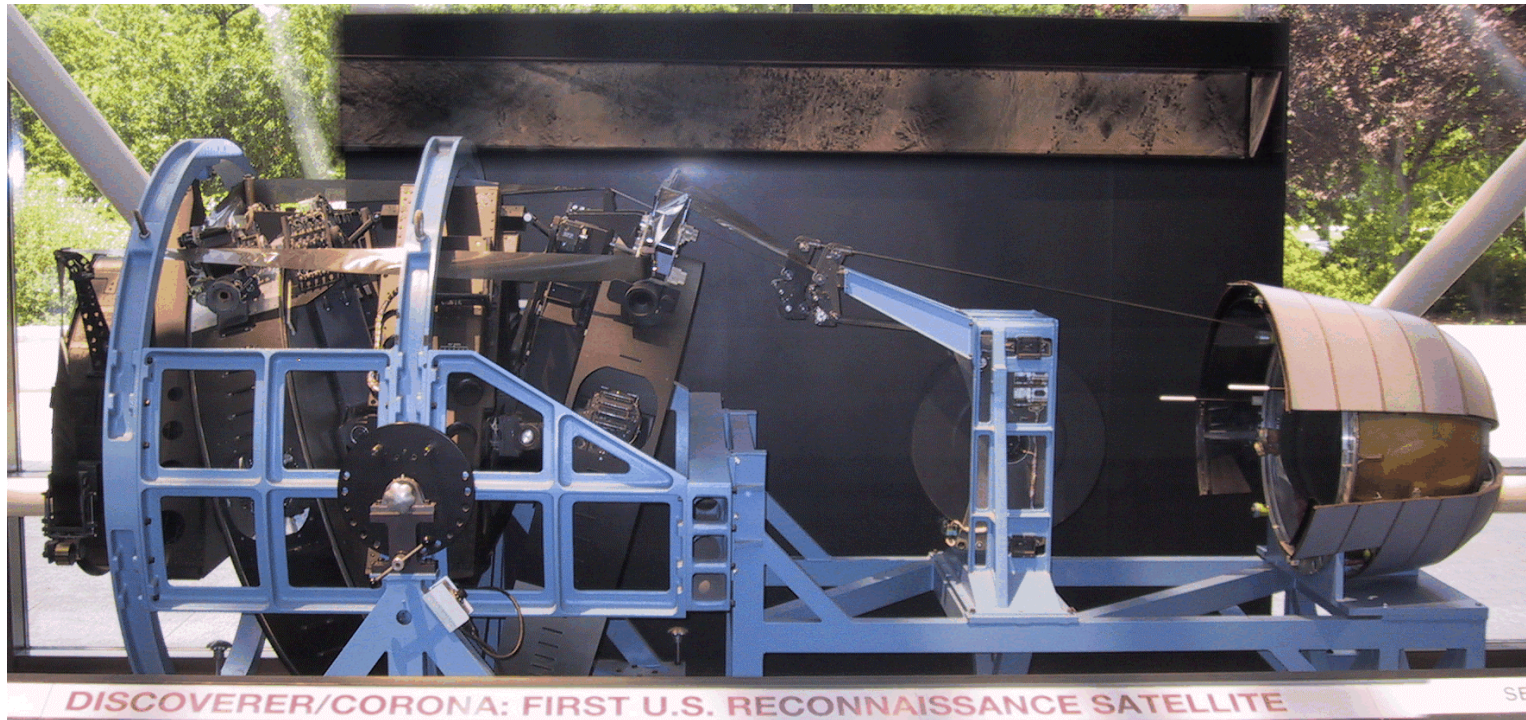
# Imaging and Capture



A U.S. Air Force C-130 modified with poles, lines and winches extending from the rear cargo door captures a capsule ejected from a Discoverer satellite.



# Corona - Smithsonian



# First Picture from Space



Mys Shmidta Air Field, USSR.  
This August 18, 1960, photograph  
is the first intelligence target  
imaged from the first CORONA  
Mission. It shows a military  
airfield near Mys Schmdta on the  
Chukchi Sea in far-northeastern  
Russia.



# Corona Images of Washington DC

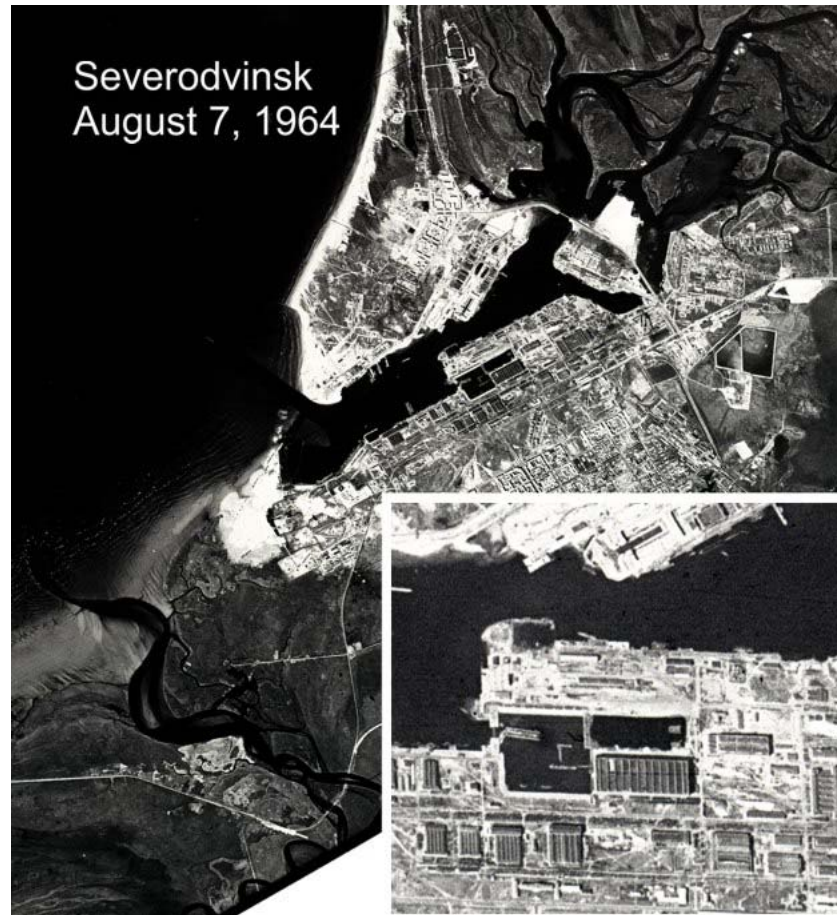


**The Pentagon**



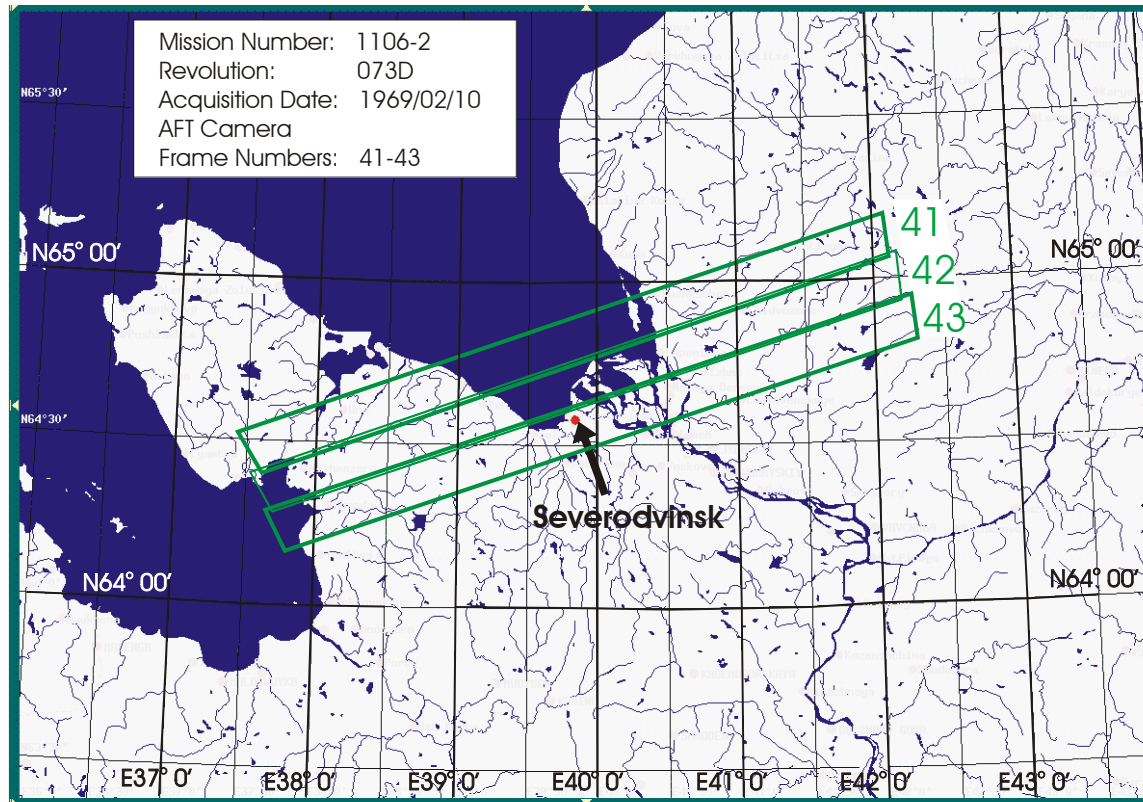
**Washington Monument**

# Corona - Severodvinsk



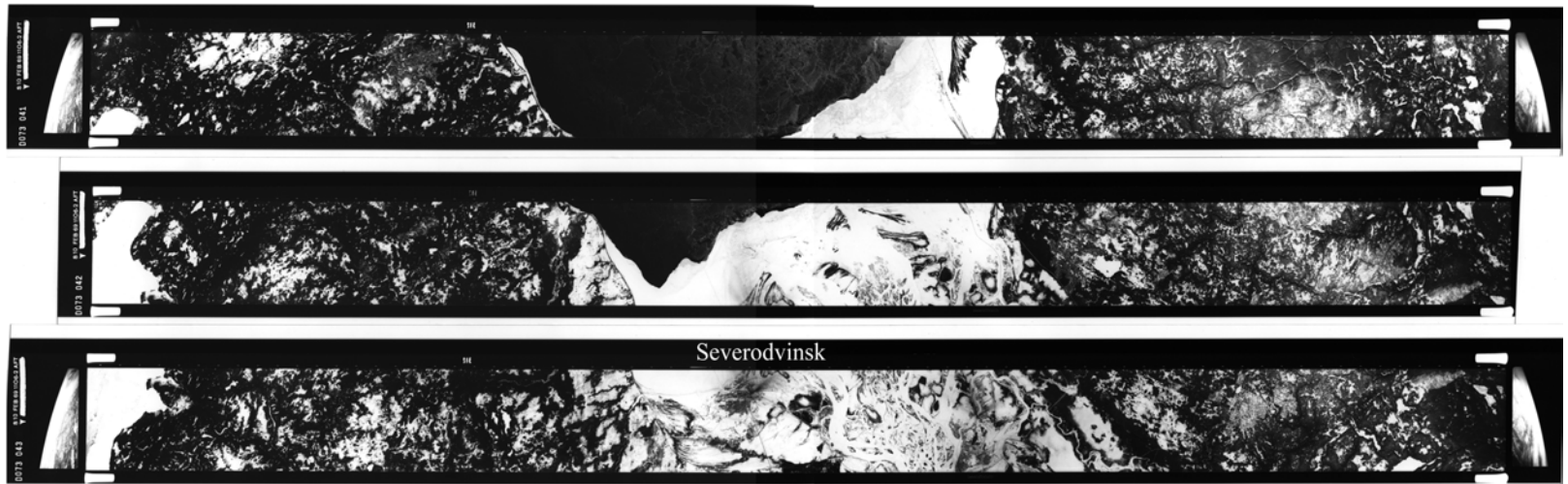
Severodvinsk Shipyard, August 7, 1964

# Severodvinsk Map



- Ground tracks for three consecutive images

# Severodvinsk Film Strips



- Three consecutive Corona images. The shipyard illustrated above is in the third frame, in the middle, just under the word Severodvinsk.
- Note the extremely large area covered by each image

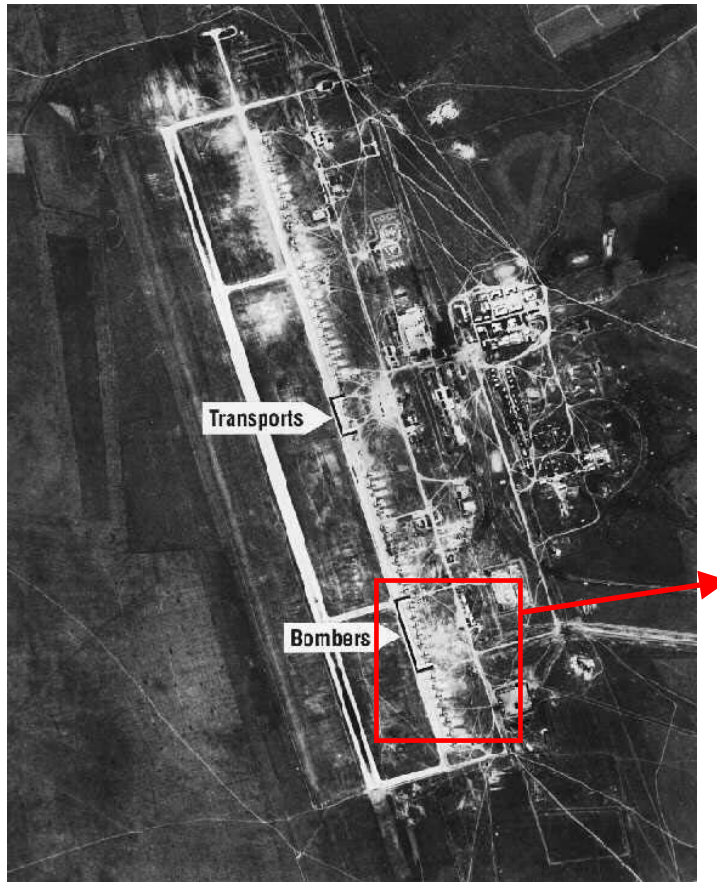


# Corona - Severodvinsk



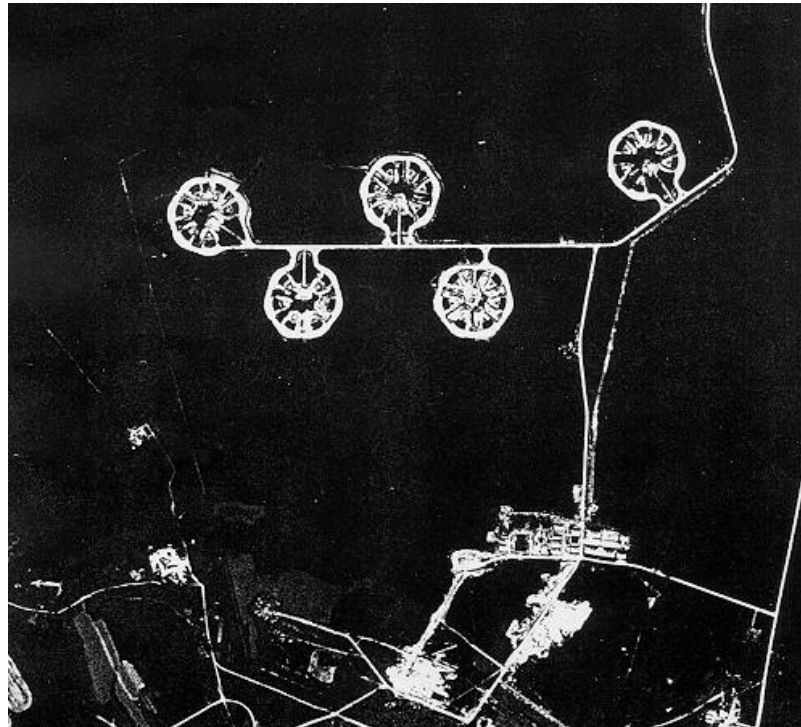
Severodvinsk Shipyard, February 10, 1969

# AOB





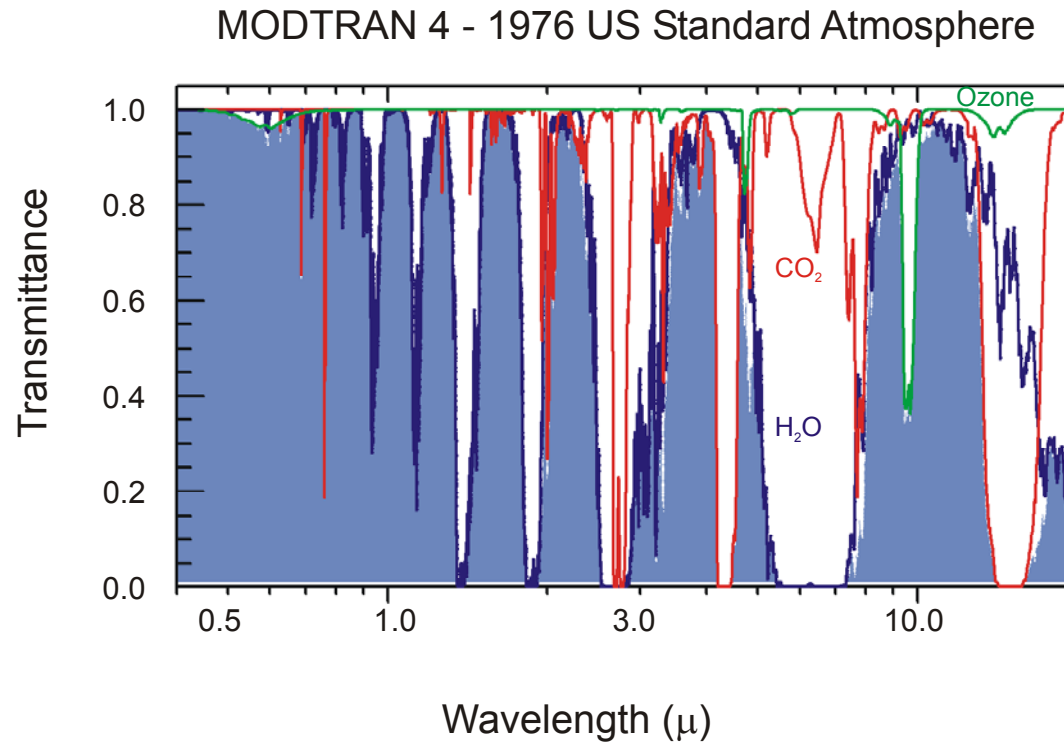
# Pattern



# Atmospheric Effects on Remote Sensing

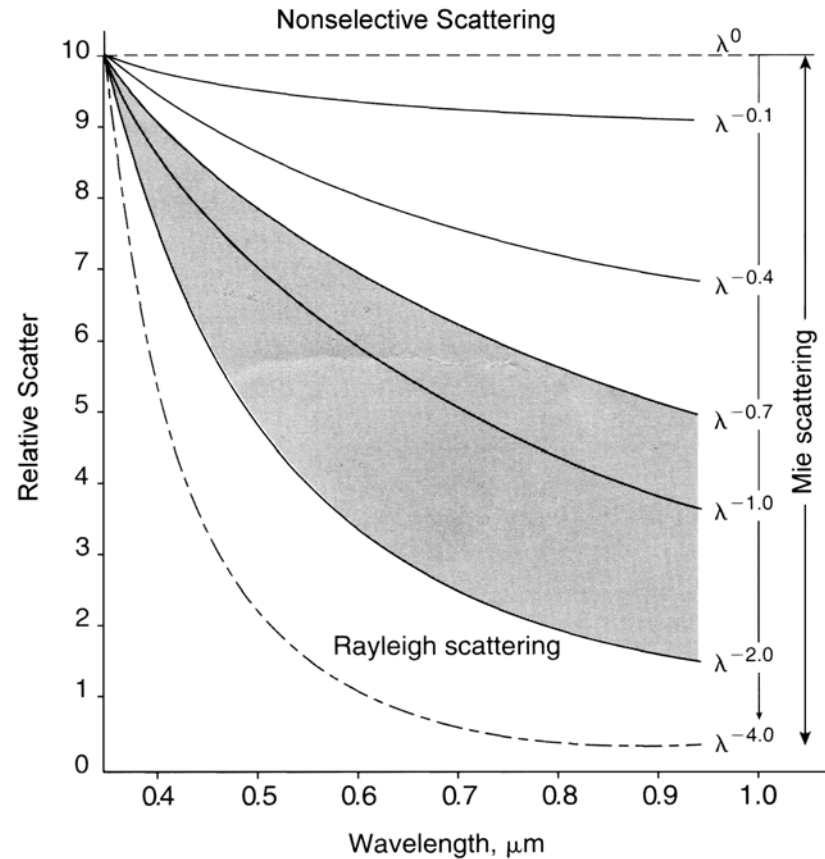
- Absorption
- Scattering
- Turbulence

# Atmospheric Absorption

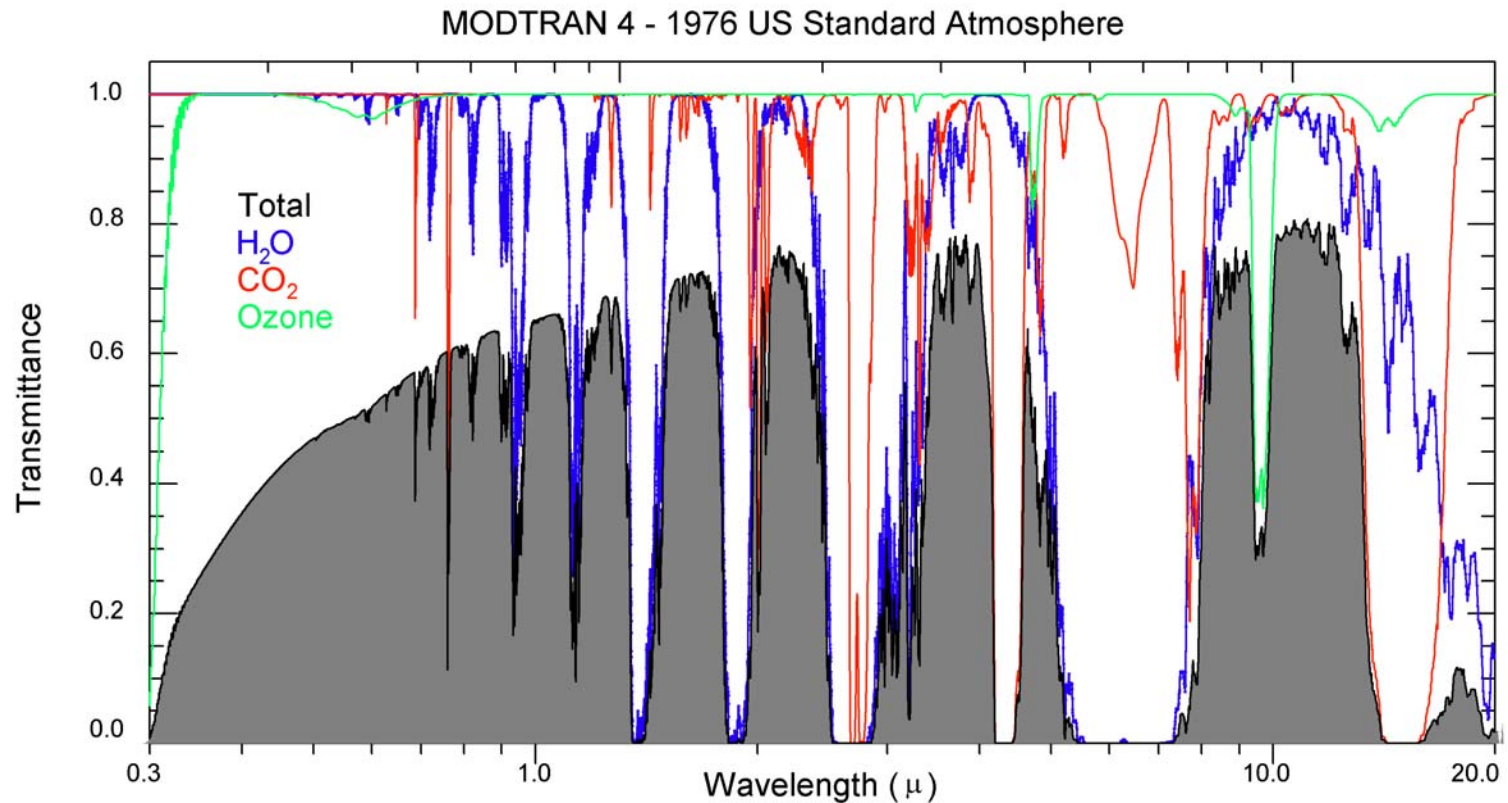


# Atmospheric Scattering

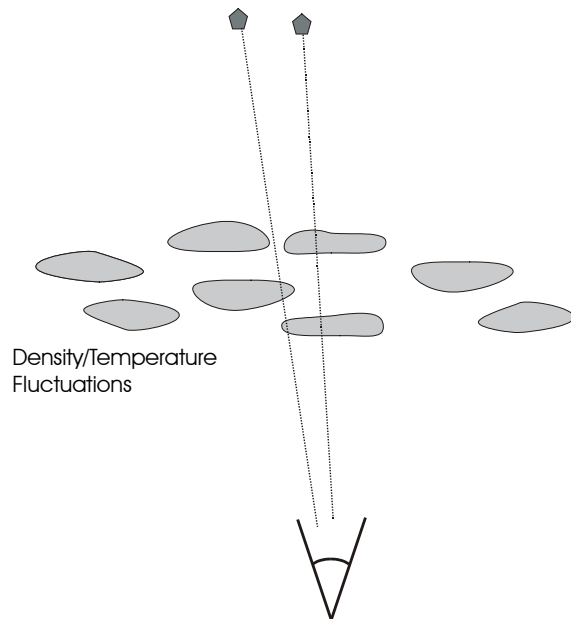
**This is why you put a light yellow filter on a camera when you use a long telephoto lens to take a black & white photograph of some distant target**



# Scattering and Absorption

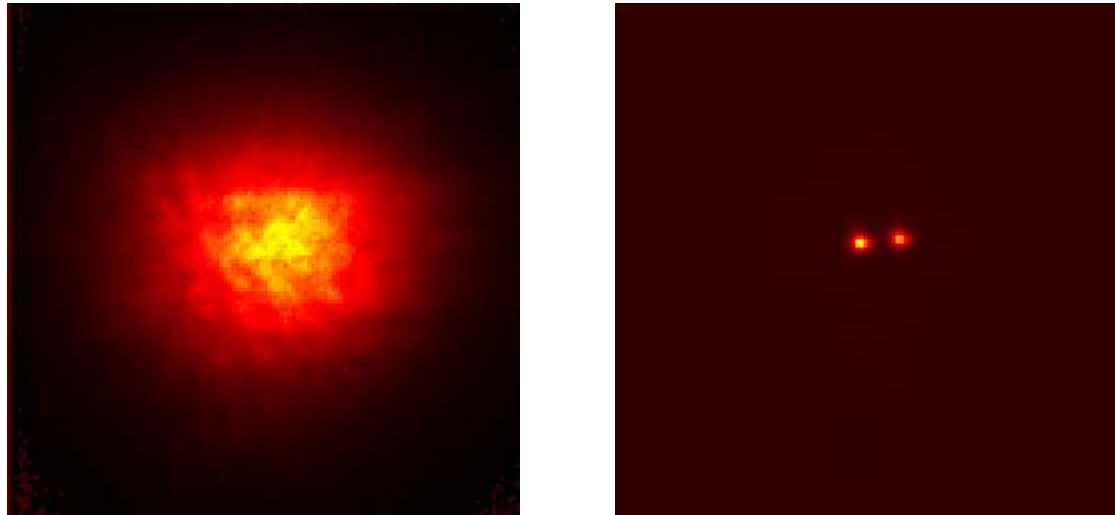


# Atmospheric Turbulence



**Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope**

# Turbulence Effects



First light for the adaptive optics system on the 3.5-m telescope at the Starfire Optical Range occurred in September, 1997. This astronomical I Band (850 nm) compensated image of the binary star Kappa-Pegasus (k-peg) was generated using the 756 active actuator adaptive optics system. The two stars are separated by 1.4544  $\mu$ radians (4.85  $\mu$ radians/arcsecond).

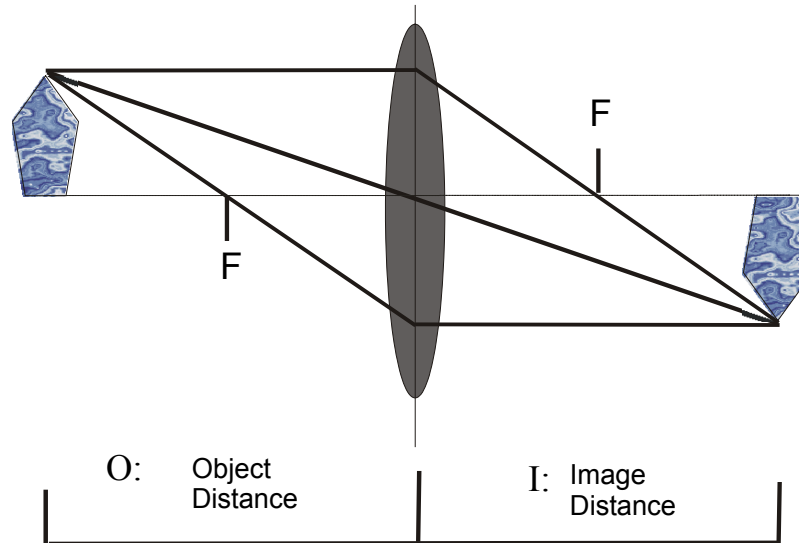
The images are 128x128 pixels - each pixel subtends 120 nano-radians, or 3.17 arcsec. The FWHM of the uncompensated spot is about 7.5  $\mu$ radians - about 5 times the separation of the two stars.

# OPTICS

- The optical system for sensors that work in the visible and IR have two defining characteristics which determine their performance
  - Geometrical Optics
  - Physical Optics

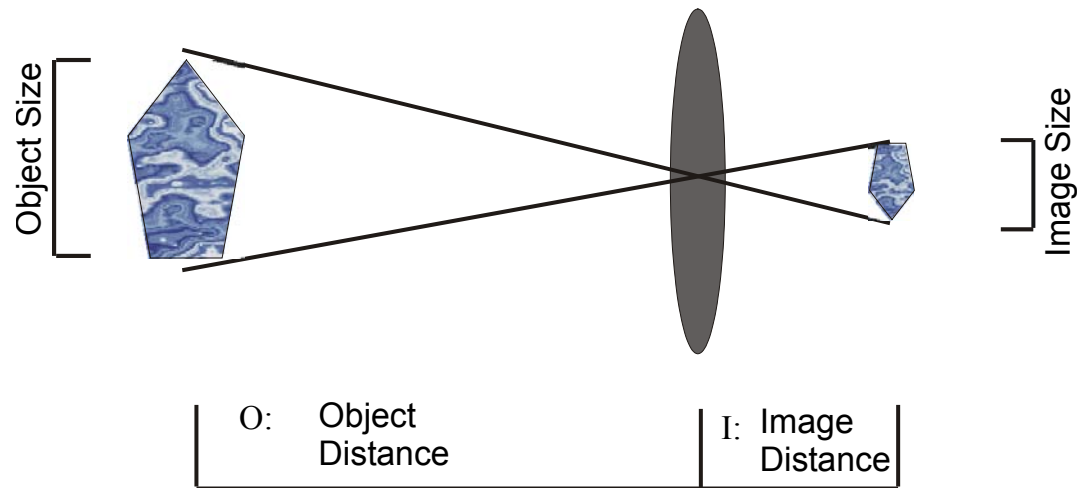


# Thin Lens Equation



$$\frac{1}{f} = \frac{1}{i} + \frac{1}{o}$$

# Similar Triangles



# Lenses and Pinholes



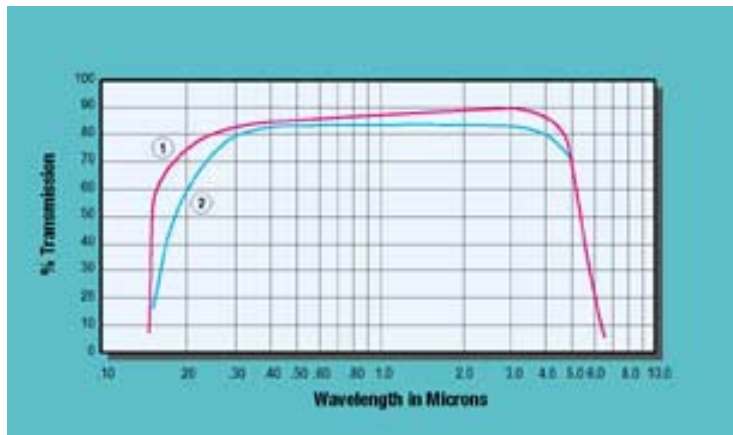
**Picture taken with  
50mm “normal” lens,  
f/11, 1/500 s**



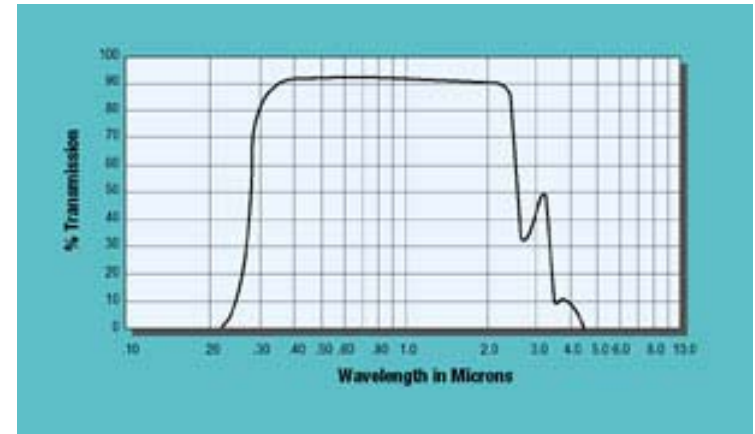
**Picture taken with pinhole  
0.57mm;  $\sim f/100$ , 1/30 s**

# Lens Materials

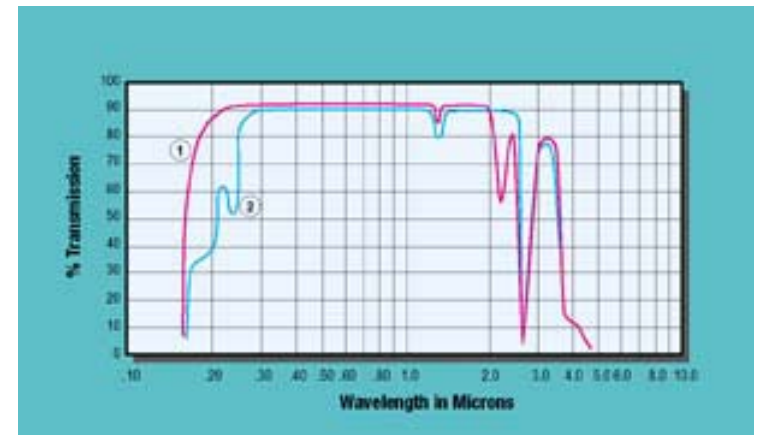
- One thing that limits the design of optical systems is the lens material. Materials which are transparent in the visible may not be in the IR, for example.



**Sapphire Transmission Curve**  
 1 mm thick reflection losses included  
 (1) UV Grade  
 (2) Regular Grade



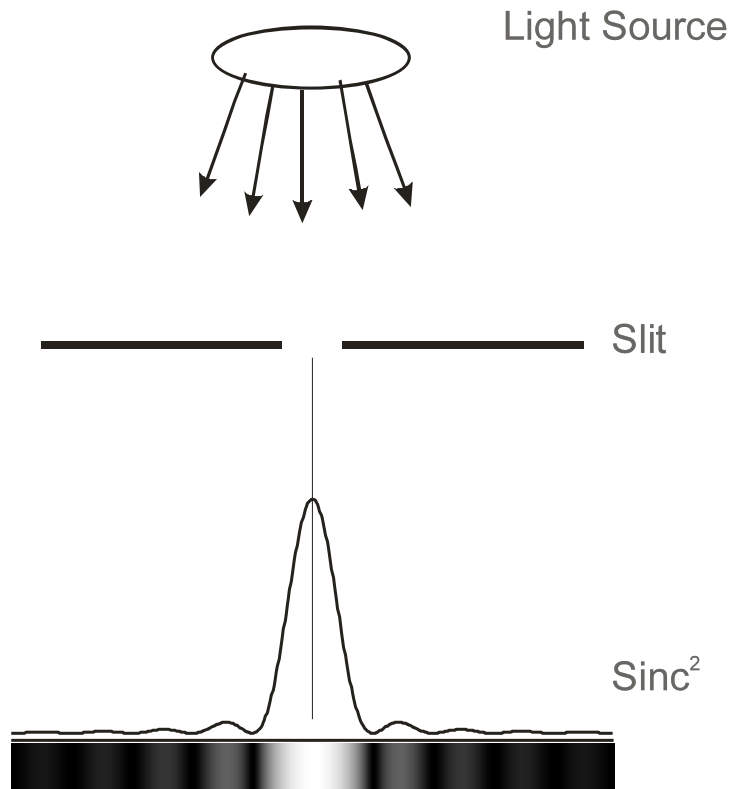
**Glass Transmission Curve**  
 1 mm thick reflection losses included  
 7056 Borosilicate



**Quartz Transmission Curve**  
 10 mm thick reflection losses included  
 (1) UV Grade Fused Silica  
 (2) Regular Grade Fused Quartz



# Interference Pattern from a Finite Aperture



In one dimension, for an infinite slit, the

intensity is proportional to  $\text{sinc}^2 \alpha$

where  $\alpha = \frac{2\pi a}{\lambda} \theta$ .

$a$  = slit width

$\lambda$  = wavelength

$\theta$  = angle

# Diffraction Pattern from a Circular Aperture

$$I \propto \left[ \frac{J_1(w)}{w} \right]^2,$$

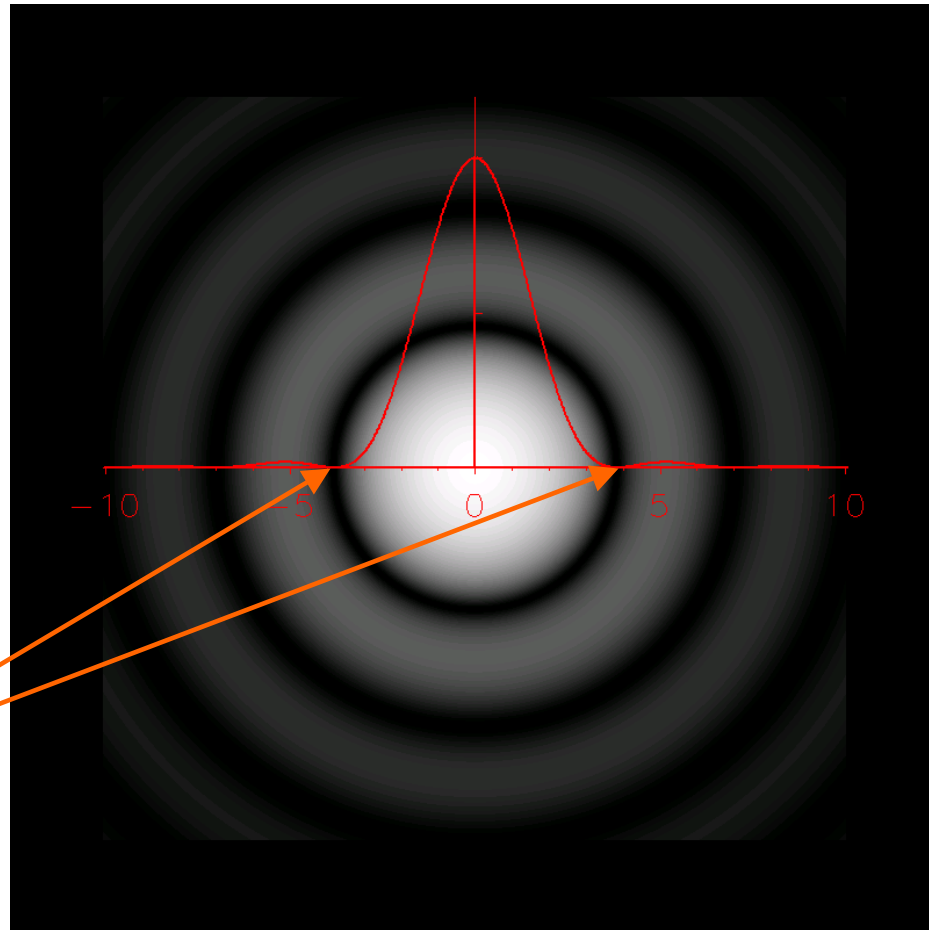
$$w = 2\pi \frac{a}{\lambda} \theta$$

$J_1$  = the 'J' Bessel function of order 1.  
 $a$  = lens radius,  
 $\theta$  = the angle subtended by the image  
 $\lambda$  = wavelength.

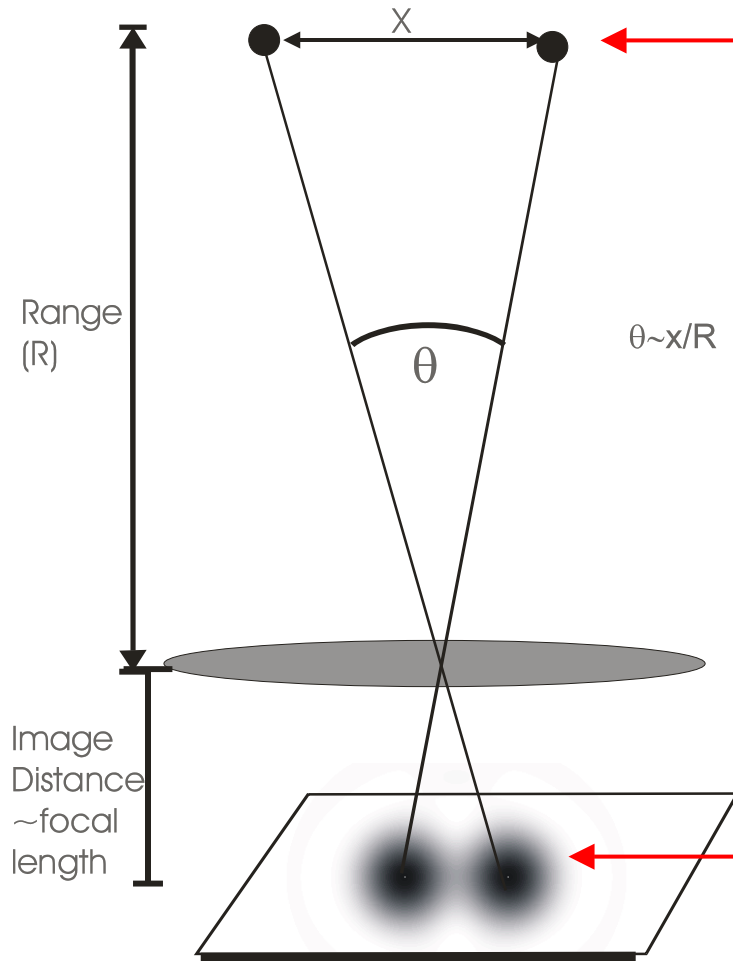
$$J_1(w) = 0 \text{ for}$$

$$w = 3.832$$

So the width of the beam pattern  
 is  $\Delta\theta = 1.22 \lambda/a$



# How does diffraction determine resolution ?



Two “stars” separated by a distance  $x$

They form images which are spread out by the diffraction associated with the optical aperture (the diameter of the lens or mirror). They have to be separated by an angular distance defined by the Rayleigh criteria:

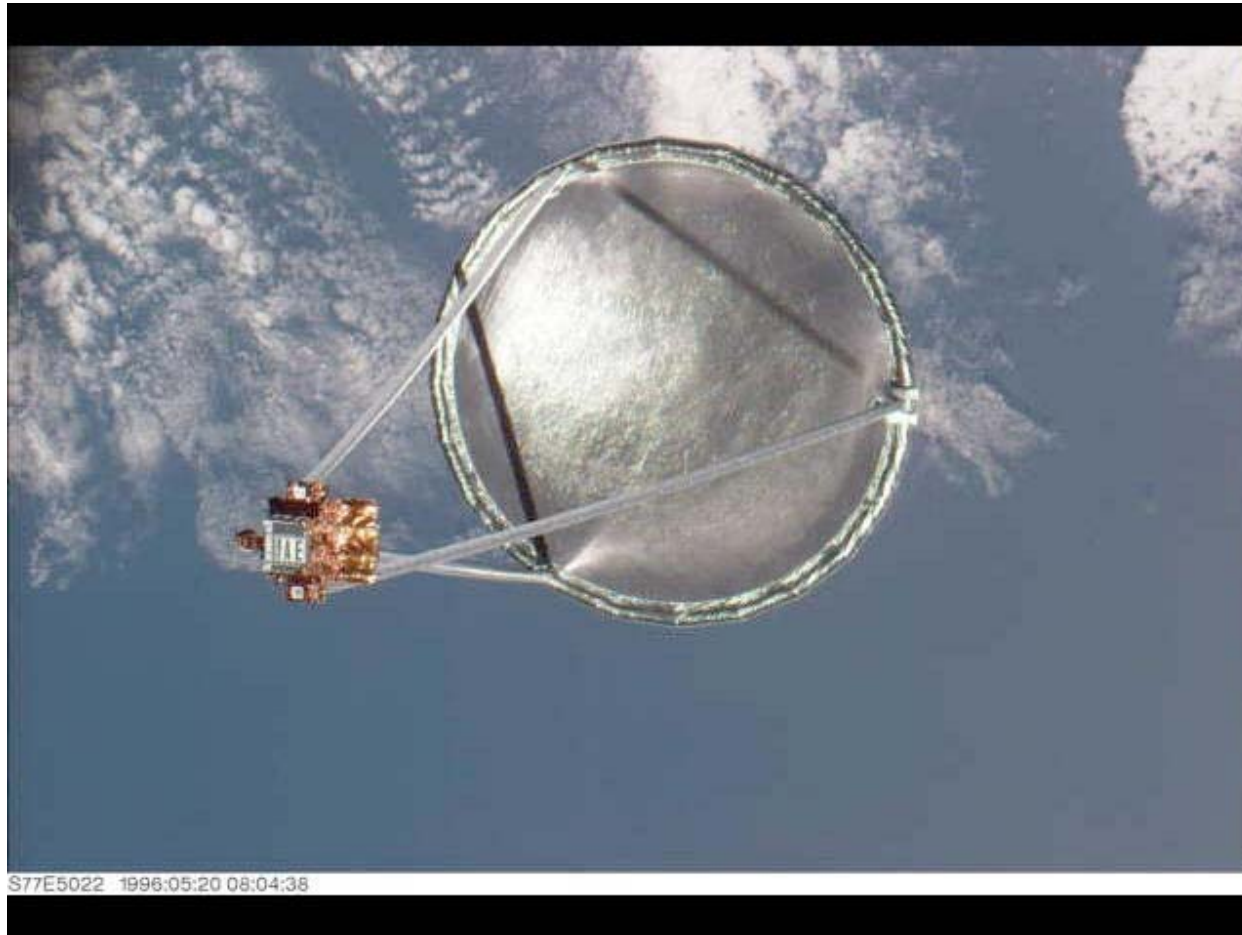
$$\Delta\theta \approx \frac{\lambda}{D}$$

# Diffraction patterns and resolution



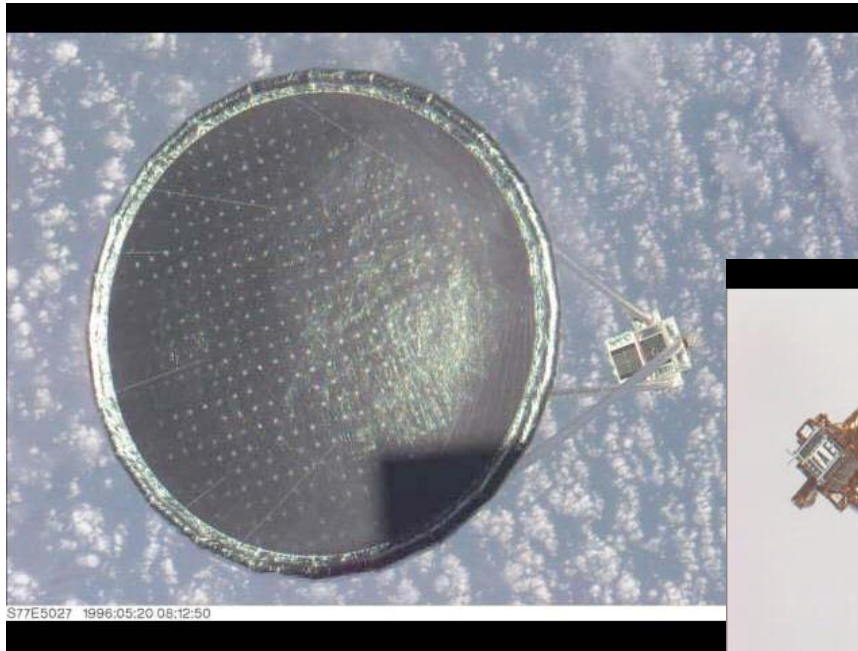


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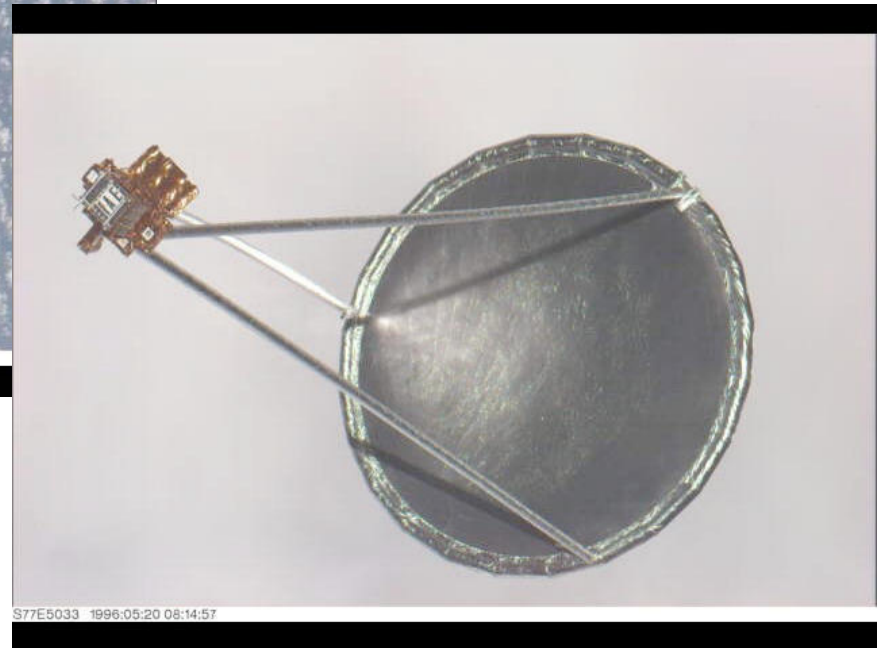


**50 feet in diameter (14 meters)**

# STS-77 5/20/96

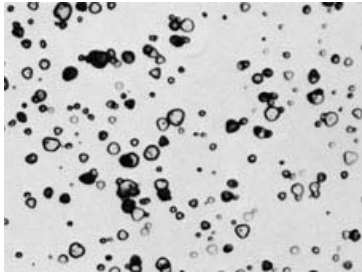


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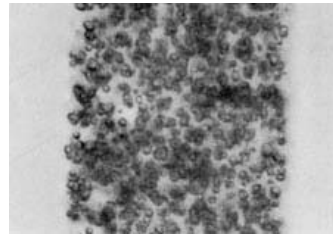


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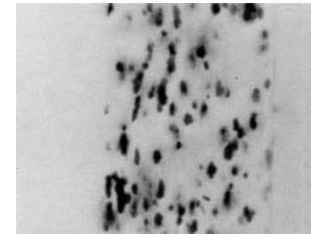
# Grain in Film



The silver bromide grains of an x-ray film emulsion (2,500 diameters). These grains have been dispersed to show their shape and relative sizes more clearly. In an actual coating, the crystals are much more closely packed.

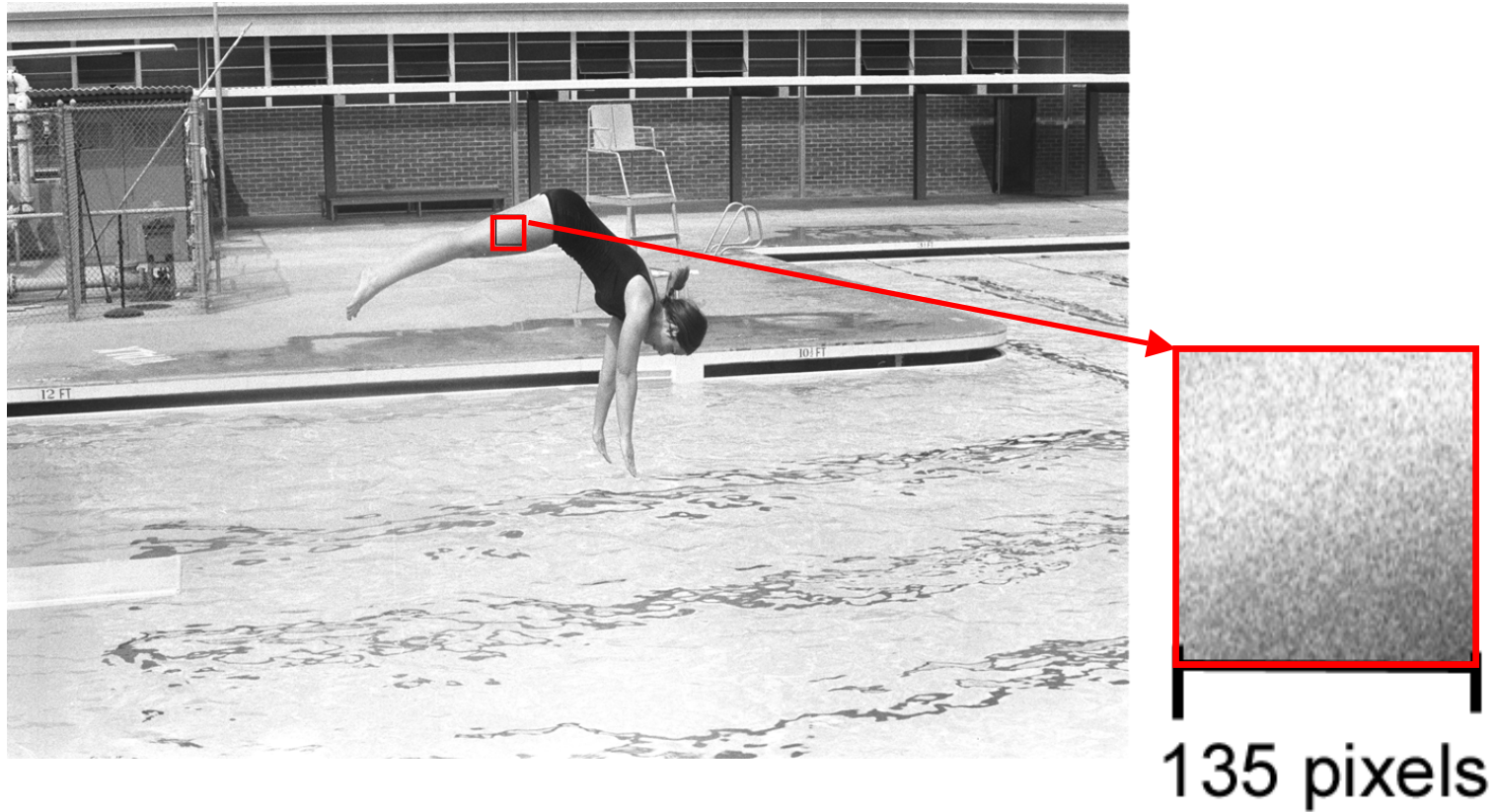


Cross section of the unprocessed emulsion on one side of an x-ray film. Note the large number of grains as compared to the developed grains of the figure to the right.

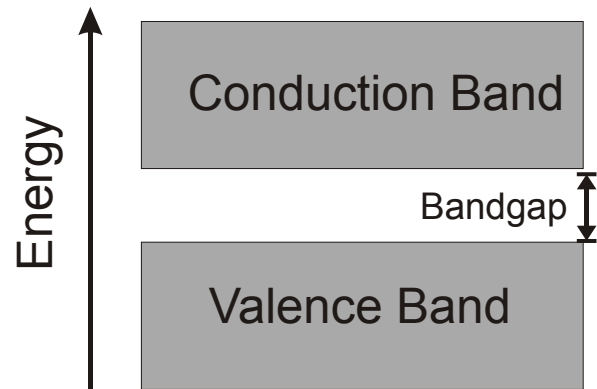


Cross section showing the distribution of the developed grains in an x-ray film emulsion exposed to give a moderate density.

# Grain in Film - 2



# Solid State Detectors



## Linear KLI-8023

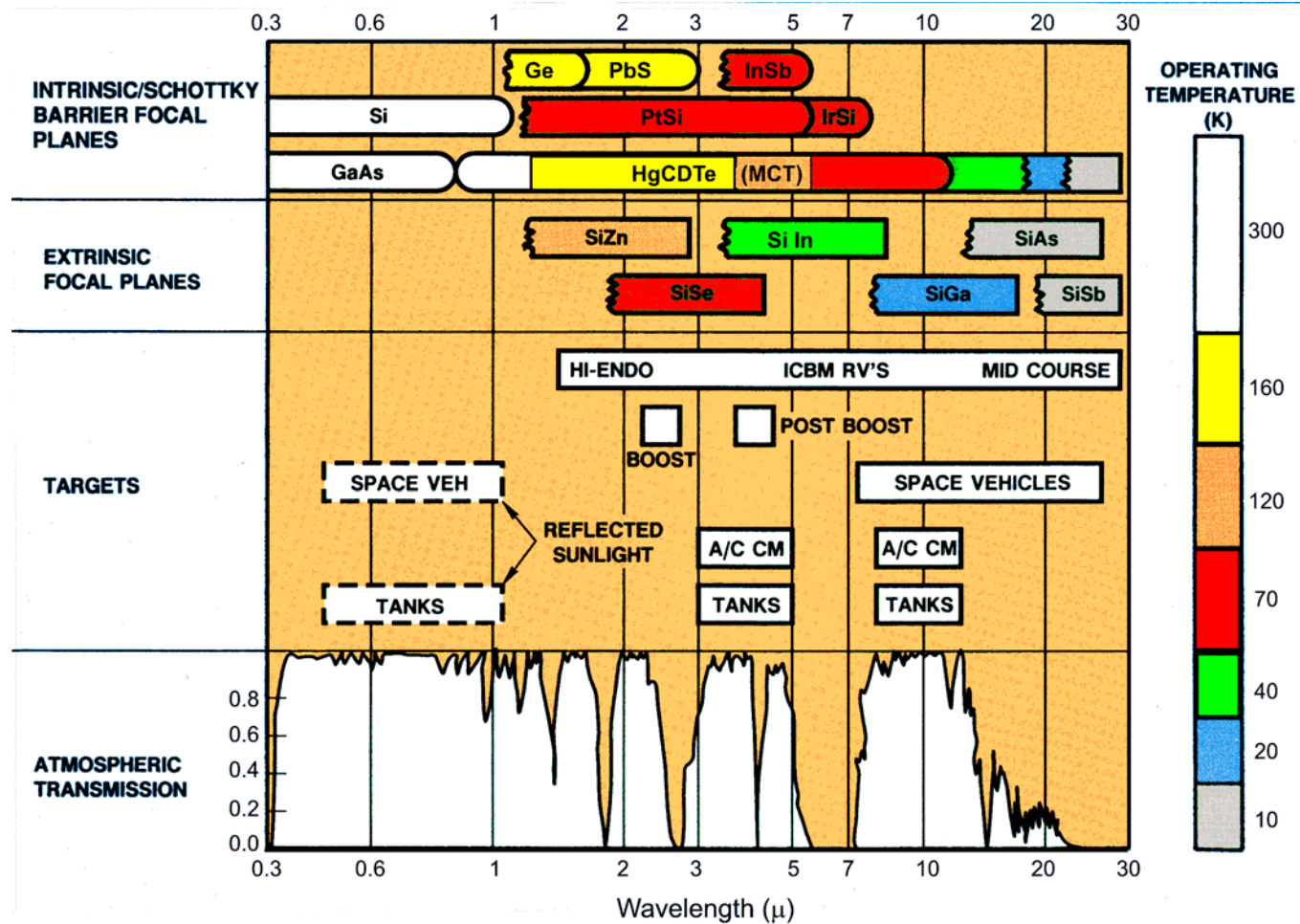
**The KODAK KLI-8023 Image Sensor is a multispectral, linear solid state image sensor for color scanning applications where ultra-high resolution is required.** The imager consists of three parallel linear photodiode arrays, each with 8000 active photosites for the output of R, G, and B signals. This device offers high sensitivity, high data rates, low noise and negligible lag. Individual electronic exposure control for each color allows the KLI-8023 sensor to be used under a variety of illumination conditions. The imager can be operated in an "Extended Dynamic Range" mode for the most demanding applications.

Pixel Count 8002 x 3

Pixel Pitch 9  $\mu\text{m}$



# Detectors



# Cryo-Coolers

- The use of materials other than silicon requires cooling technologies.
- Miniature ‘Stirling Cycle’ coolers are a hidden but essential component of remote sensing systems
- Illustration here from AIM, a German company, and a distant subsidiary of Daimler-Chrysler
- Note that a reliability of some 4000 hours is only 5.5 months – not enough for an operational satellite system.



**compressor**

**Cold tip**

	SL100-10	SC025-12
Cooling Capacity [W] at 80K T <sub>C</sub> and 23°C environment temperature	1.25	0.25
Temperature Stabilization	internal electronics	unregulated
Maximum Input Power [W]	65	40
Reliability [h]	> 4,000	> 400
Weight [kg]	2.2	1.3
Compressor Length [mm]	133	143
Compressor Diameter [mm]	60.45	44.44
Coldtip Length [mm]	59.2	55.4
Coldtip Diameter [mm]	13.7	4.86
Maximum Transferline length [mm]	381	230

# CryoCoolers

- Cryogenic Linear Drive Stirling Coolers
  - Coldtip Length 59.2 mm
  - Coldtip Diameter 13.7 mm
  - Cooling Capacity: 1.25 W at 80K  $T_C$  and 23°C environment temperature
  - Reliability > 4,000 hours
  - Weight 2.2 kg



**Cold  
Finger**

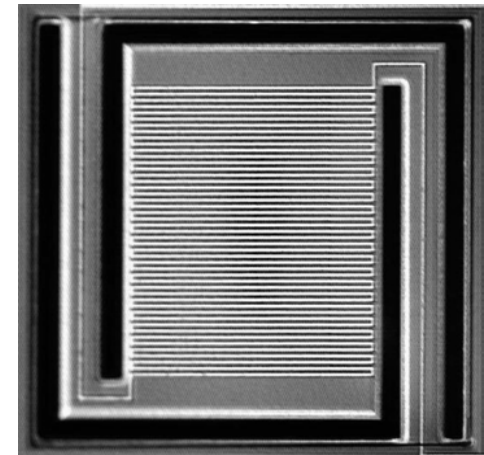
**Cooling  
unit**



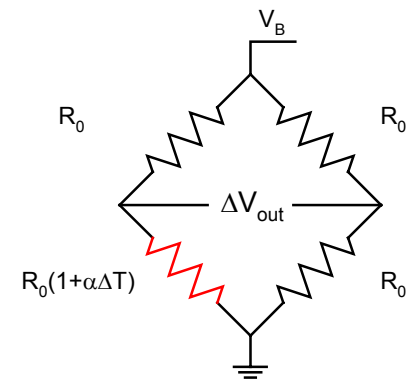
# Un-Cooled Focal Planes

- Micro-Bolometer uses a resistance measuring technique
- Works well for LWIR
- Currently not as sensitive as cooled technologies (higher intrinsic noise)

Thermally Isolated Resistor  
(200 x 200  $\mu\text{m}^2$ )

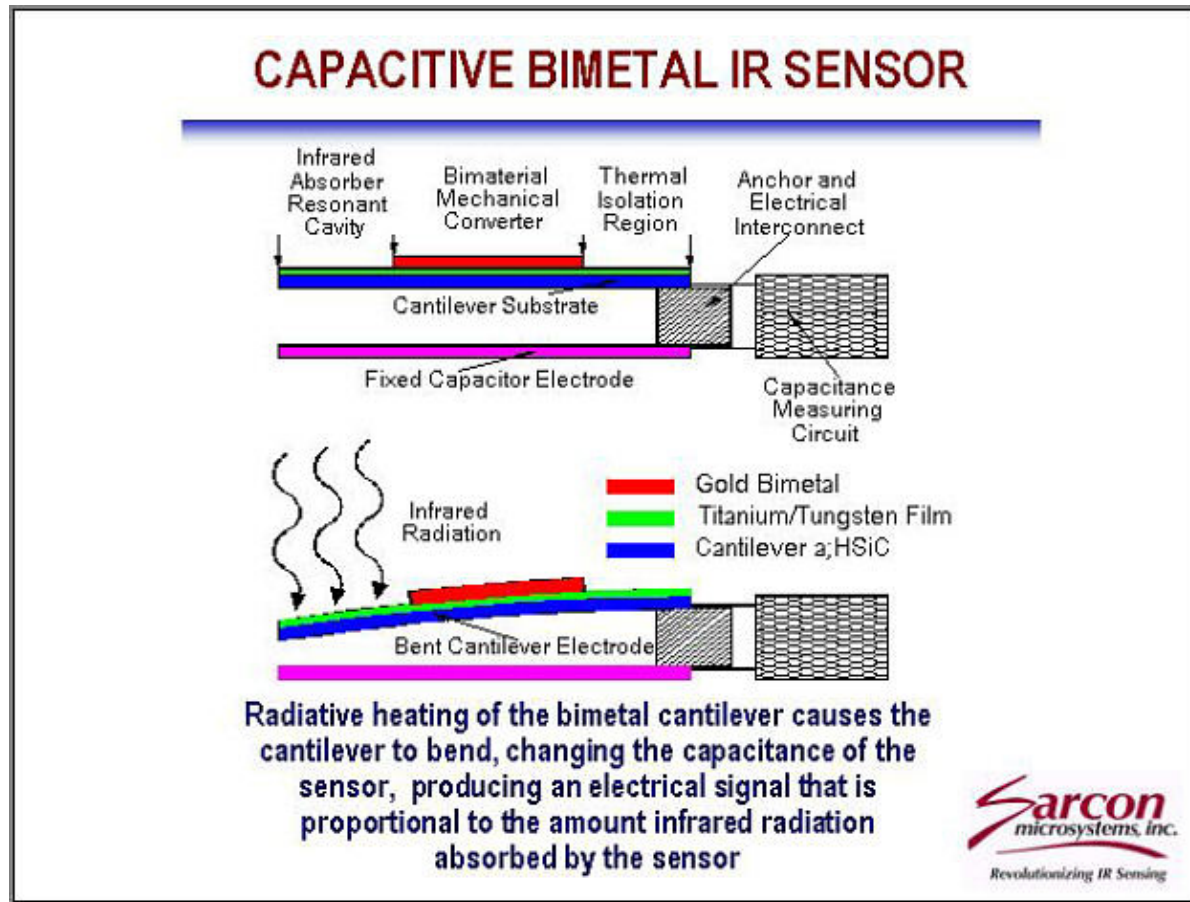


$$\Delta V_{\text{out}} \approx \frac{\alpha V_B}{4} \Delta T$$

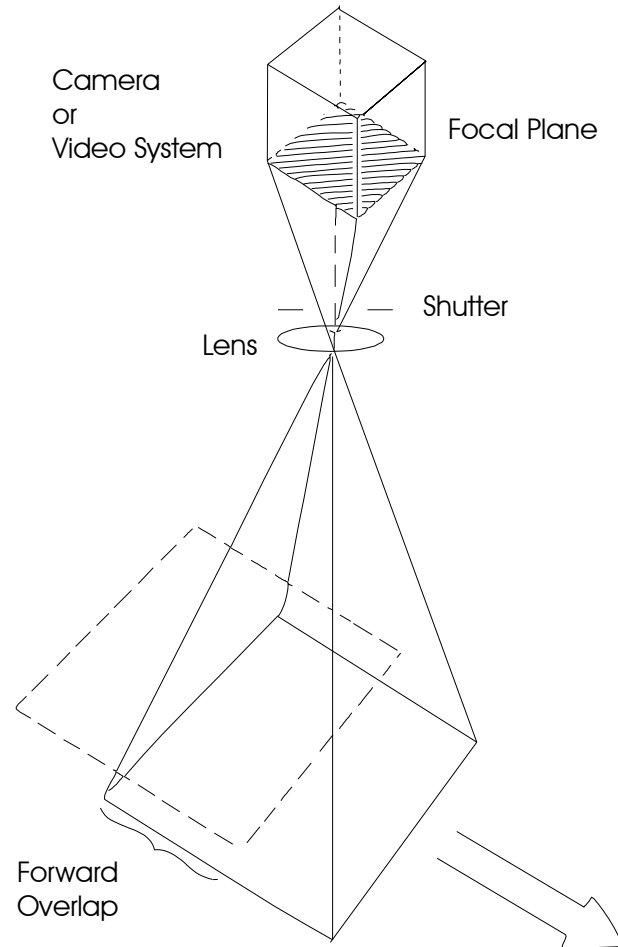


# Un-Cooled Focal Planes

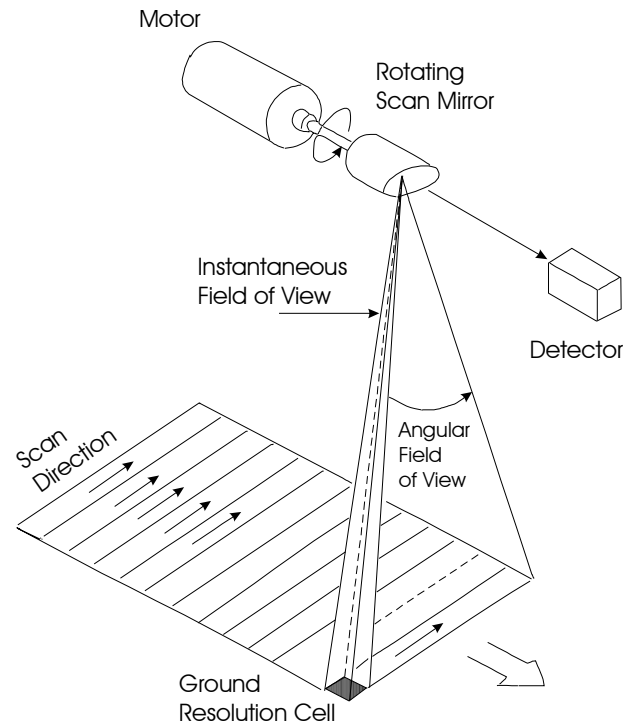
- Capacitive Bimetal IR Sensor
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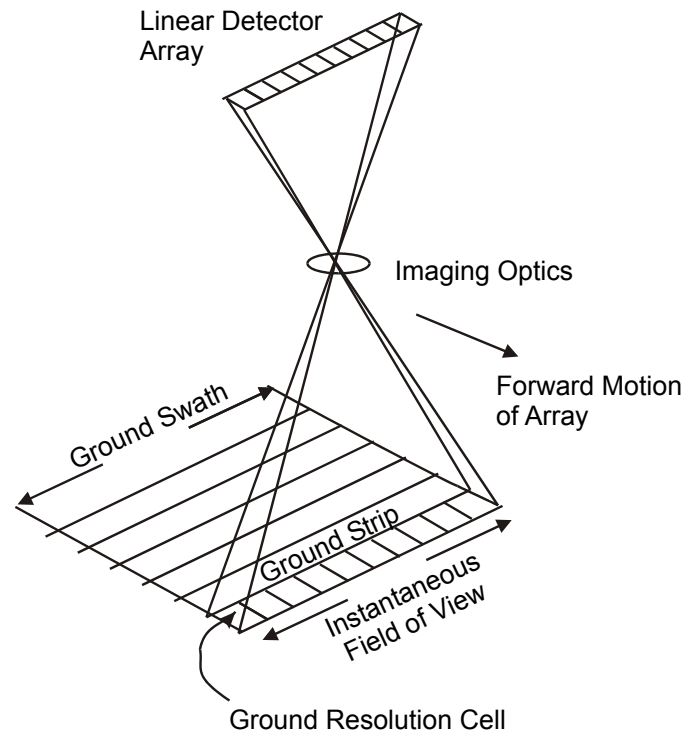
# Framing System



# Cross-Track Sensor



# Pushbroom Sensor



# Hubble Deployment

April 25, 1990



Orbital tracking – needs to be located at least every few days

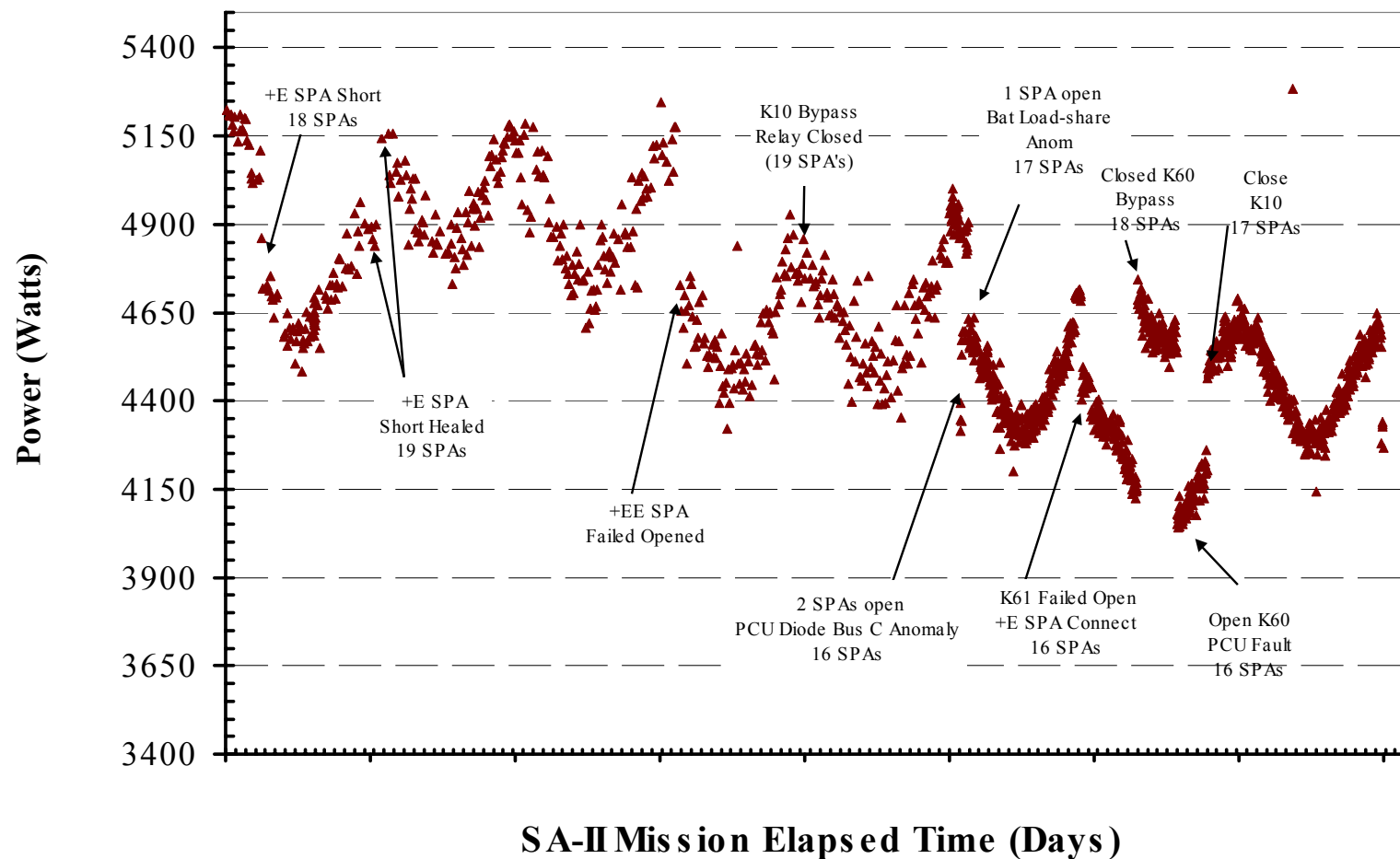
The position error may be as large as 30 km within two days of a determination of the position of the spacecraft in its orbit.

# The Hubble Satellite

- Launch Date/Time 1990-04-25 at 12:33:51 UTC
- On-orbit dry mass 11600.00 kg
- Nominal Power Output 5000 W (BOL)
- Batteries Six – 60 Amp-hour NiMH
- Orbital Period 96.66 m
- Inclination 28.48 degrees
- Eccentricity 0.00172
- Periapsis 586.47 km
- Apoapsis 610.44 km
- Telemetry rates 0.500 - 1000.000 kbps
- Effective Telemetry Rate 4.238 kbps

# Hubble Power Systems

## Solar Array II - 1993-2001

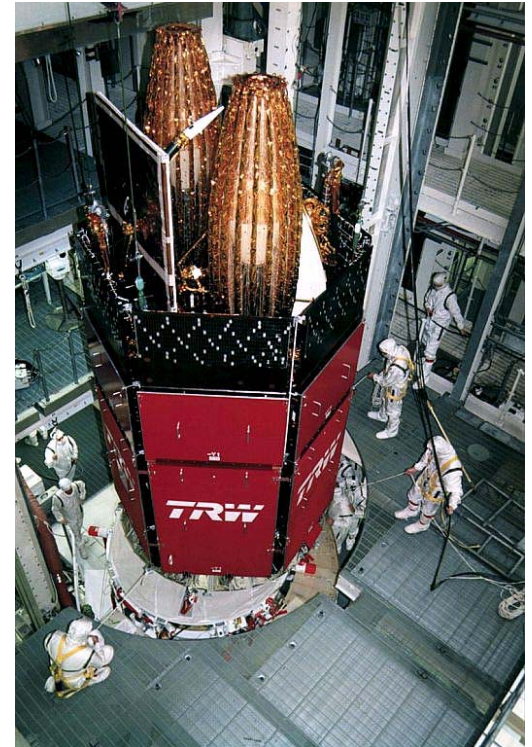




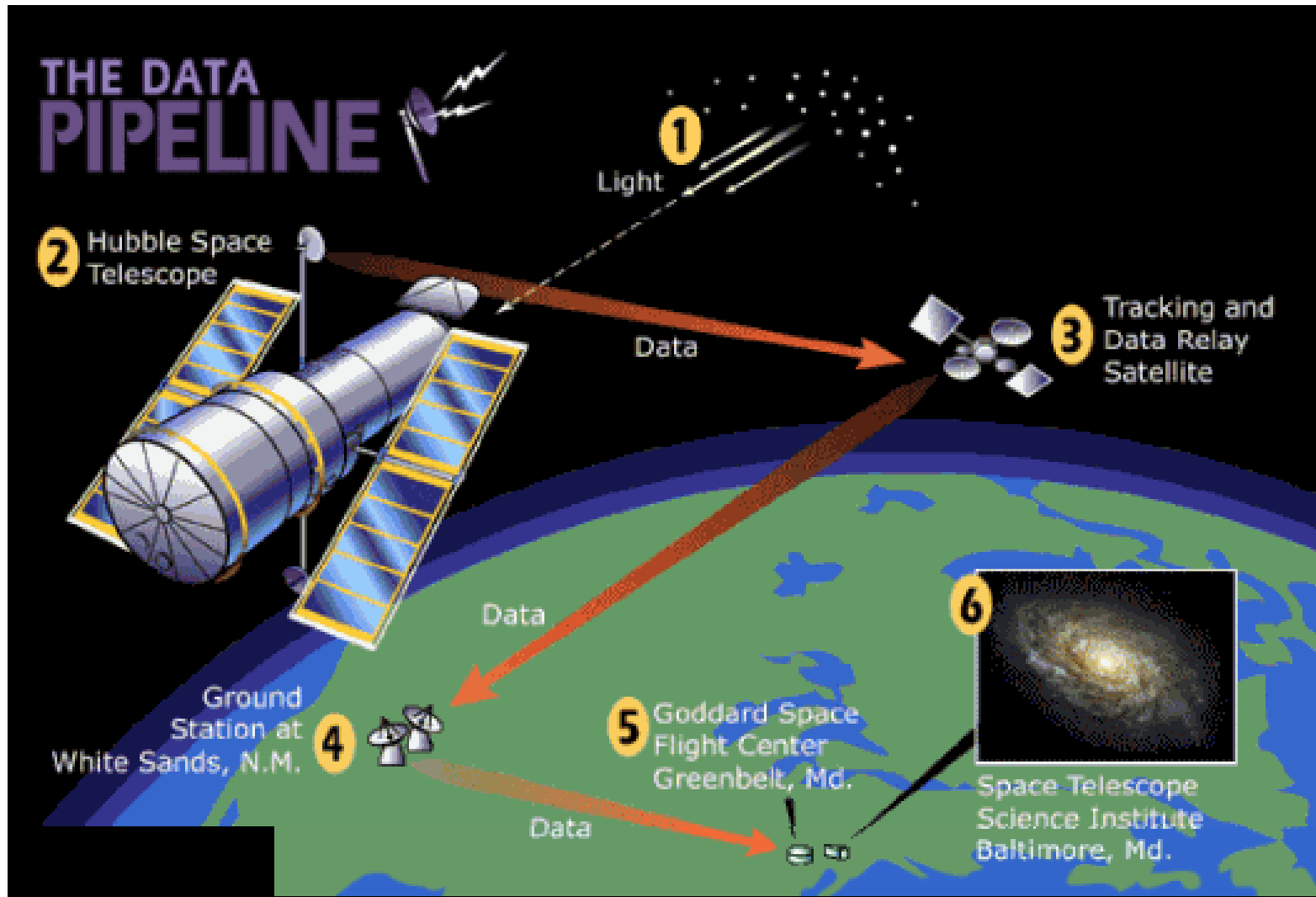
# Hubble Telemetry

## Tracking and Data Relay Satellite (System)

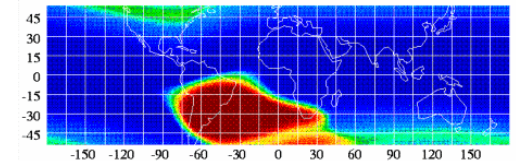
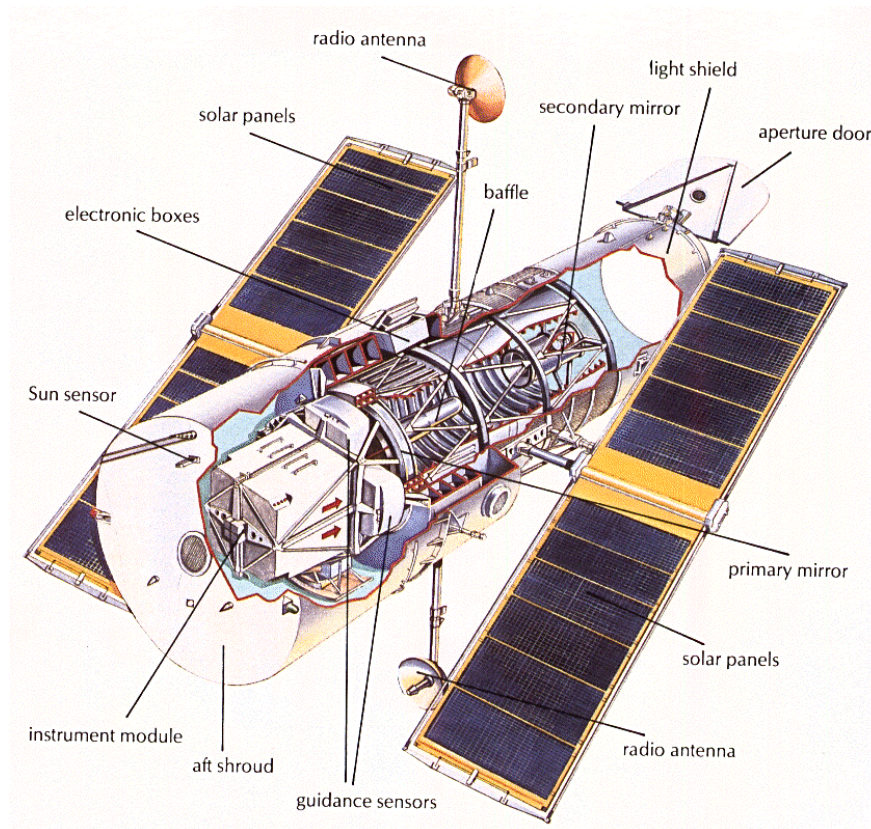
- TDRS (TDRS-7 shown)
- Ground station at White Sands, NM
  - The ground stations include:
    - three (3) 18.3 meter Ku-band antennas,
    - three (3) 19 meter Ku-band antennas and
    - two (2) 10 meter S-band TT&C antennas.



# The Data Pipeline



# Hubble Diagram



A picture of the relative location of the SAA from NASA. The data were collected by the South Atlantic Anomaly Detector (SAAD) aboard the ROSAT spacecraft. It consists of 10 cm<sup>2</sup> of Germanium and served as a particle background monitor

- Solar arrays are 2500 W each; Replaced several times
- Detectors are interfered with by penetrating radiation over South Atlantic Anomaly

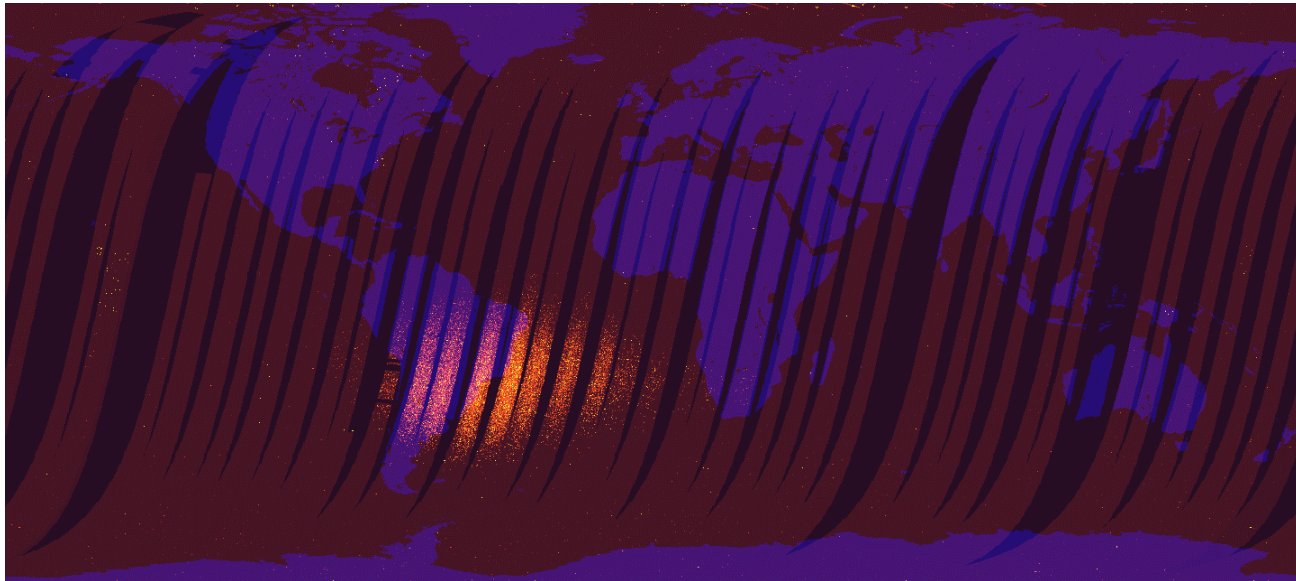
# Detector Background

- The detector background arises primarily from thermal electrons at the first photocathode and high energy particles. In the 600~km altitude, 28° inclination orbit of HST, substantial fluxes of magnetospheric electrons and protons are encountered in the South Atlantic Anomaly (SAA). The more energetic of these particles are capable of generating intense flashes of Cerenkov radiation in the MgF2 faceplate of the FOC intensifiers. Since this noise source originates as photons at the very front end of the detector, the Video Processing Unit of the FOC is not able to distinguish between real celestial photons striking the cathode and Cerenkov generated photons. The threshold energy for C<sup>^</sup>erenkov radiation in MgF2 is  $E > 220 \sim \text{keV}$  for electrons and  $E > 400 \sim \text{MeV}$  for protons. Shielding of 4 mm aluminum or more was built into the design of the FOC in order to prevent electrons of energies  $E < 3\text{-}5 \sim \text{MeV}$  from reaching the detectors from any direction.
- The effects of the SAA on the FOC were extensively mapped during the commissioning phase. The FOC turned out to be considerably less sensitive to SAA electrons than had been feared. This is presumably due to the additional shielding to electrons provided by the rest of the HST spacecraft. The response of the FOC to SAA protons on the other hand is in good qualitative agreement with the expectations-although the sensitivity of the two FOC detectors differs somewhat.
- The highest background rates ( $0.2 \sim \text{counts pixel}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  in the F/48 during nominal operations and  $0.02 \text{ counts pixel}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  in the F/96) are encountered over South America within the peak of the SAA proton density distribution. Since these rates are not high enough to cause damage to the FOC detectors, the FOC is kept fully operational during SAA passages. However, such high background rates do exclude useful scientific observations. A ground-track contour delineating the observed region of high background has been installed within the HST ground system in order that FOC observations not be scheduled within it. Users of the FOC need therefore not concern themselves with avoiding the SAA under normal circumstances (*i.e.*, periods not having unusually high solar activity).
- The typical detector background rates experienced well outside the SAA are  $7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ counts pixel}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  in the detector for the F/96 relay and  $10^{-2} \text{ counts pixel}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  in the detector for the F/48 relay. Upward fluctuations of a factor  $\approx 3$  from these minimum values are, however, seen throughout the HST orbit. The minimum in-orbit background rates are, respectively, factors of  $\approx 5$  and  $\approx 3$  higher than the background rates measured during ground testing implying that the bulk of detector background counts are particle induced.



# Terra Satellite Anomalies in LEO

- **The South Atlantic Anomaly (SAA).** Even before the cover opened, the Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer (MISR) instrument aboard NASA's Terra spacecraft began making scientific measurements. The MISR cameras, designed to detect visible light, are also sensitive to energetic protons at high altitudes. With the cover closed, background levels of protons stand out.
- This map was created by specially processing MISR "dark" data taken between 3 February and 16 February 2000, while the cover was still closed. Data from the red band of the most forward-looking MISR camera were geographically projected over a map of Earth's land areas. Individual orbit tracks are visible, and some tracks are missing due to data gaps, missing spacecraft navigation information, or other early-mission processing problems. Each picture element is a square measuring one-quarter of a degree in latitude and longitude, and each contains hundreds to thousands of pixels from the raw MISR imagery. The South Atlantic Anomaly (SAA) is a region of unusually high proton levels. Because proton "hits" even in the SAA are relatively infrequent, each picture element of the map shows the most extreme "outliers" resulting from proton hits, rather than the average of all observations. This accentuates the effect of the SAA.
- [http://eosweb.larc.nasa.gov/HPDOCS/misr/misr\\_html/darkmap.html](http://eosweb.larc.nasa.gov/HPDOCS/misr/misr_html/darkmap.html)



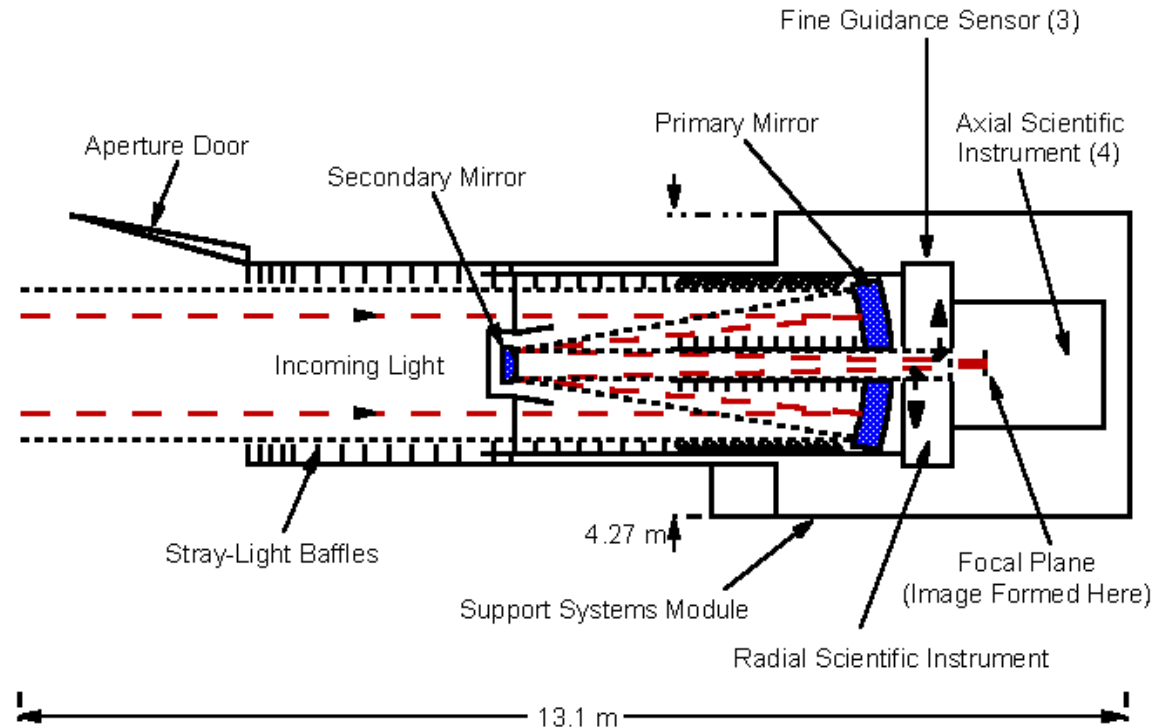
# Hubble - 1997



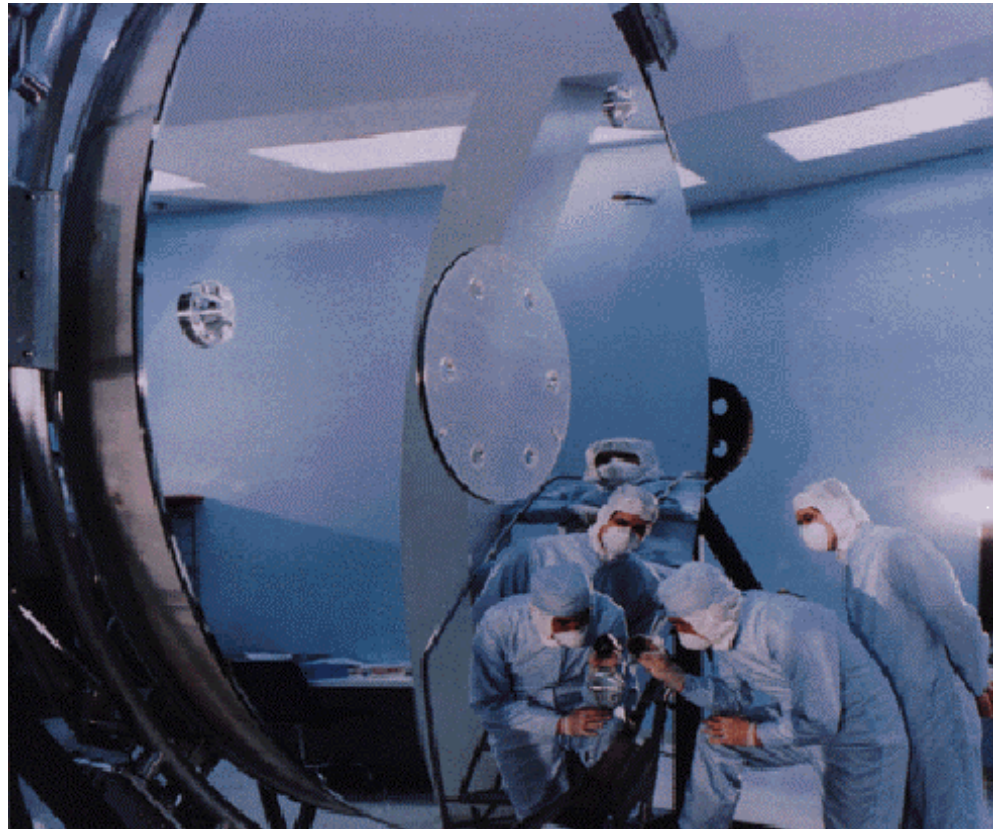
- 2.4 m diameter mirror, f/24 Ritchey-Chretien Cassegrain.
- The angular resolution at 500 nm is 0.043 arc-seconds ( $0.21 \mu\text{-radians}$ ).
- Hubble has a pointing accuracy of 0.007 arc-seconds ( $0.034 \mu\text{-radians}$ ).

# Hubble Optics

- 2.4 m diameter mirror, f/24 Ritchey-Chretien Cassegrain.
- Mirrors are hyperboloids
- Primary: 57.6 m focal length
- Distance Between The Two Mirrors = 4.6 m
- Focal Plane Distance (from front of primary mirror) = 15 m

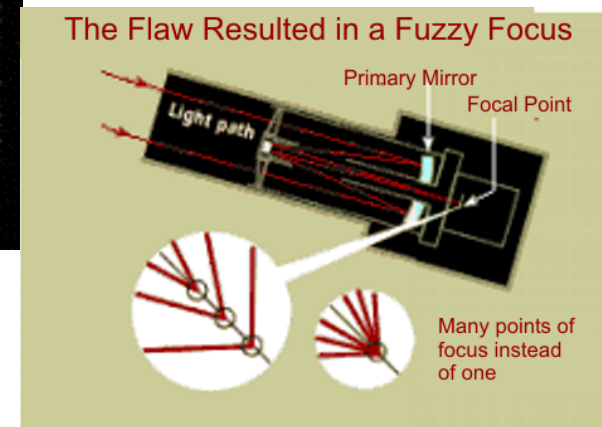
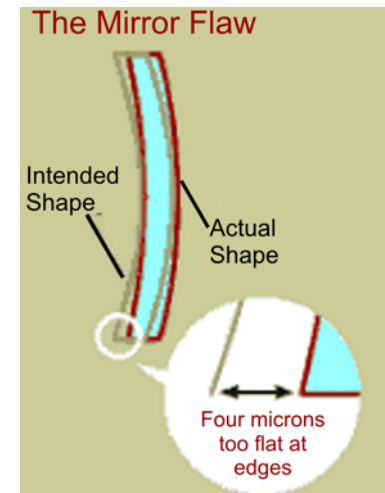
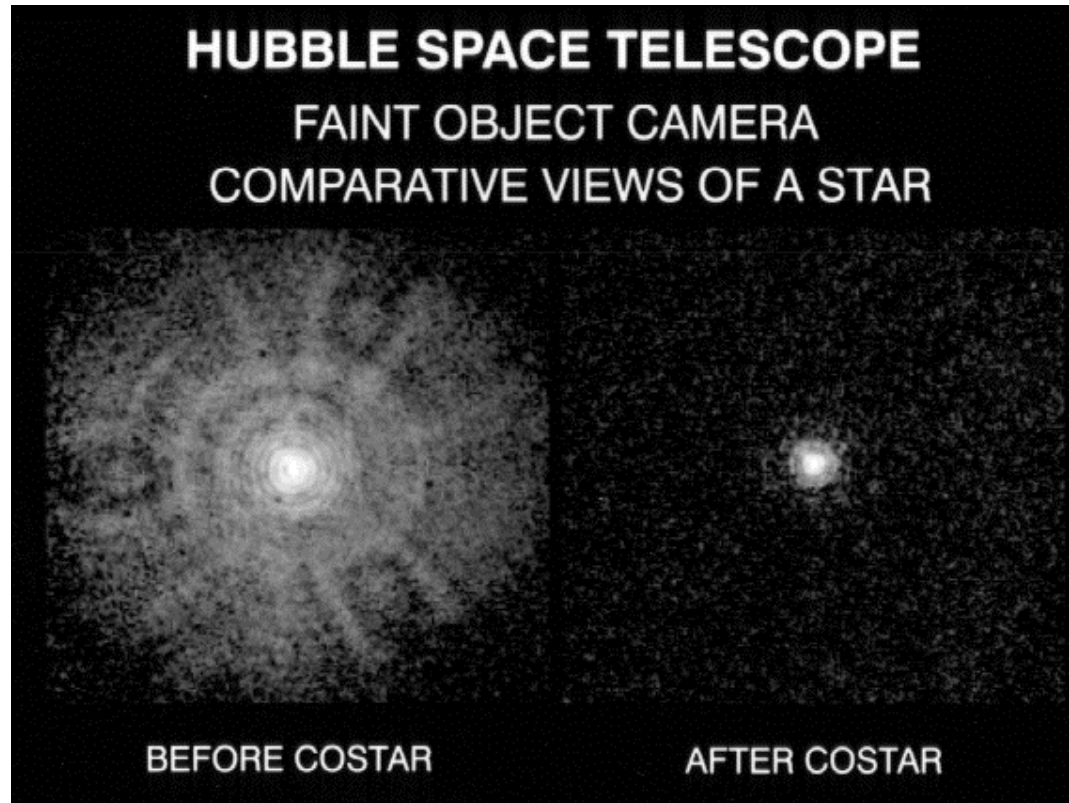


# Hubble Mirror

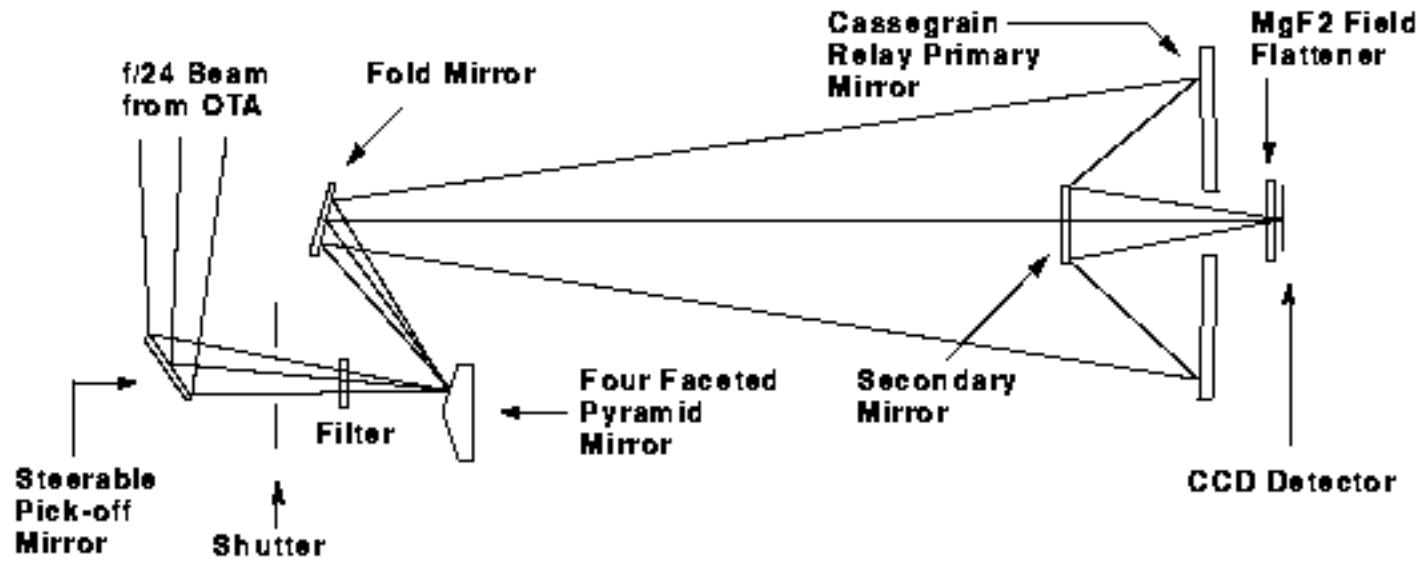




# Hubble Aberrations



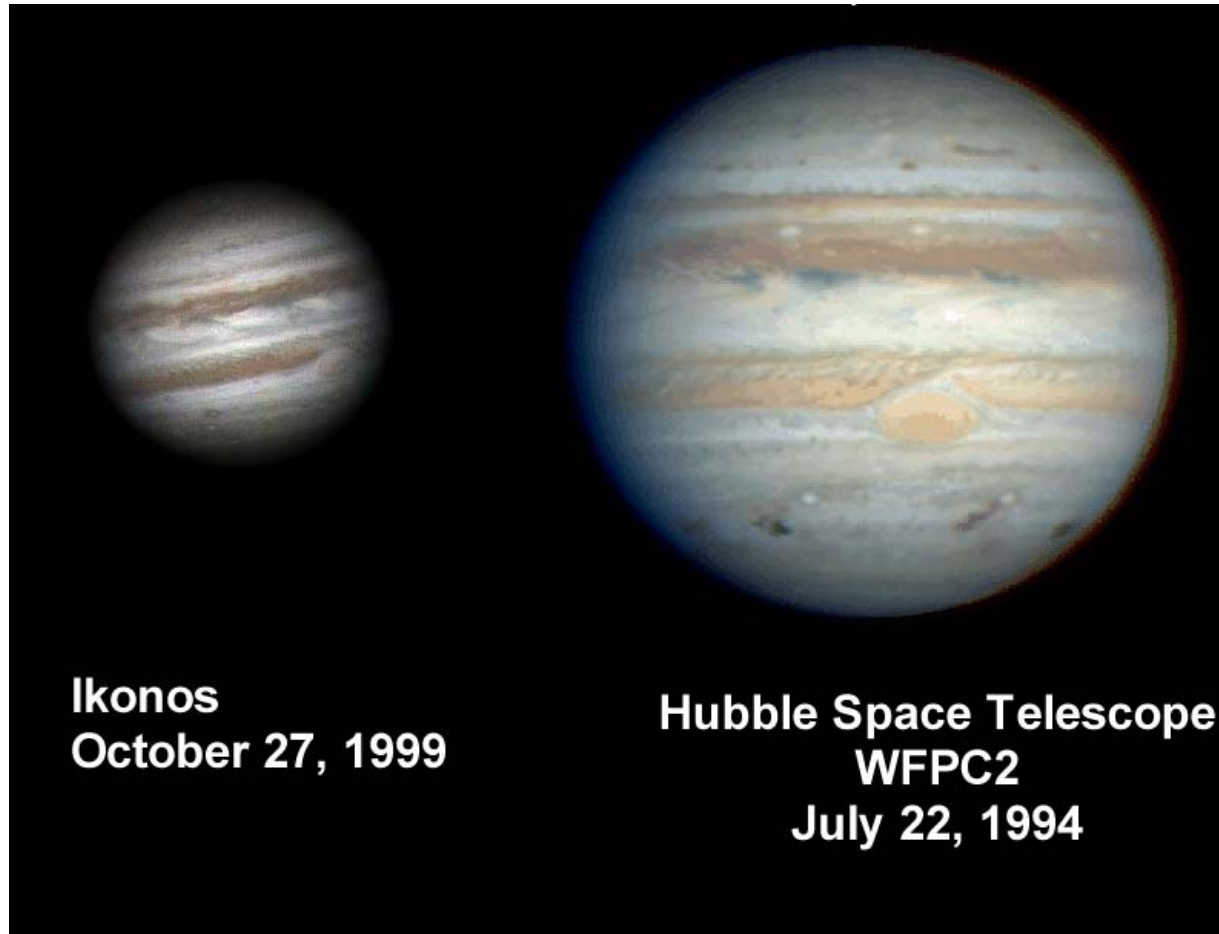
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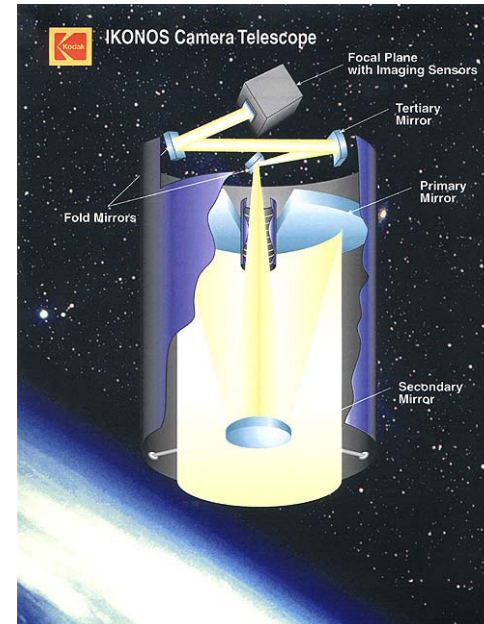
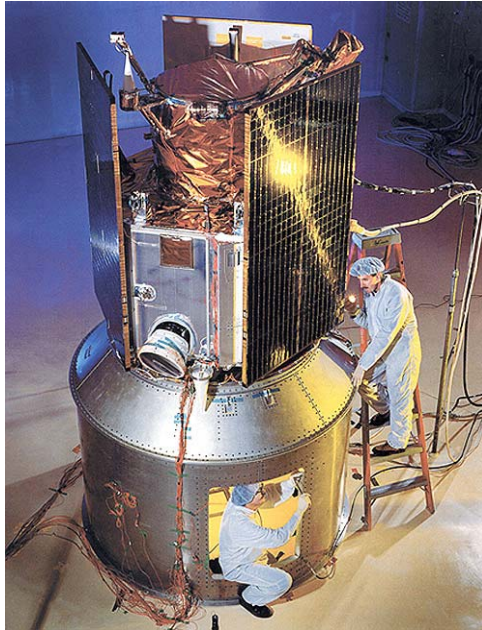
# Hubble - Mars



# IKONOS vs Hubble - Jupiter



# IKONOS

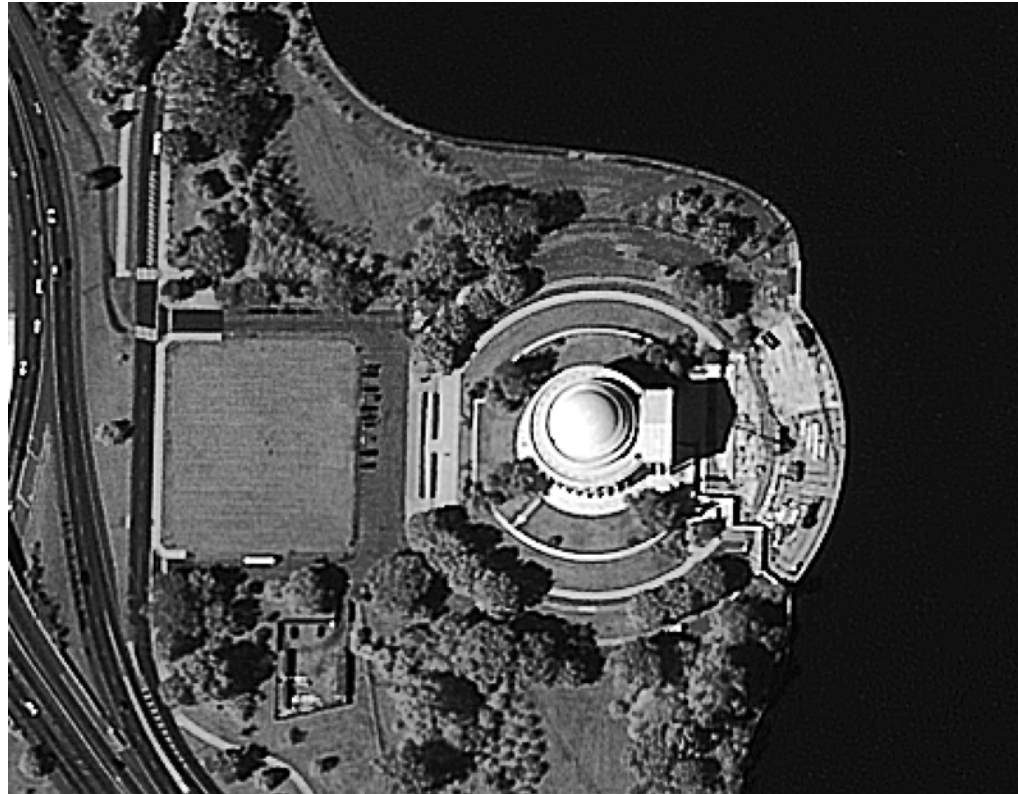


- Telescope was built by Kodak
- Obscured, three mirror anastigmat with two fold mirrors:
  - 70 cm diameter primary with 16 cm central hole;
  - 10.00 m focal length, f/14.3
  - 1.2  $\mu$ rad Instantaneous field-of-view (pixel),

- Focal Plane Unit
  - Panchromatic sensor: 12 micron pixel pitch, 13,500 pixels
  - Multispectral sensor: 48 micron pixel pitch, 3375 pixels
- Digital Processing Unit
  - Compression rate: 11 bits per pixel compressed to 2.6 bpp
  - Compression speed: 4 million pixels per second per processing channel

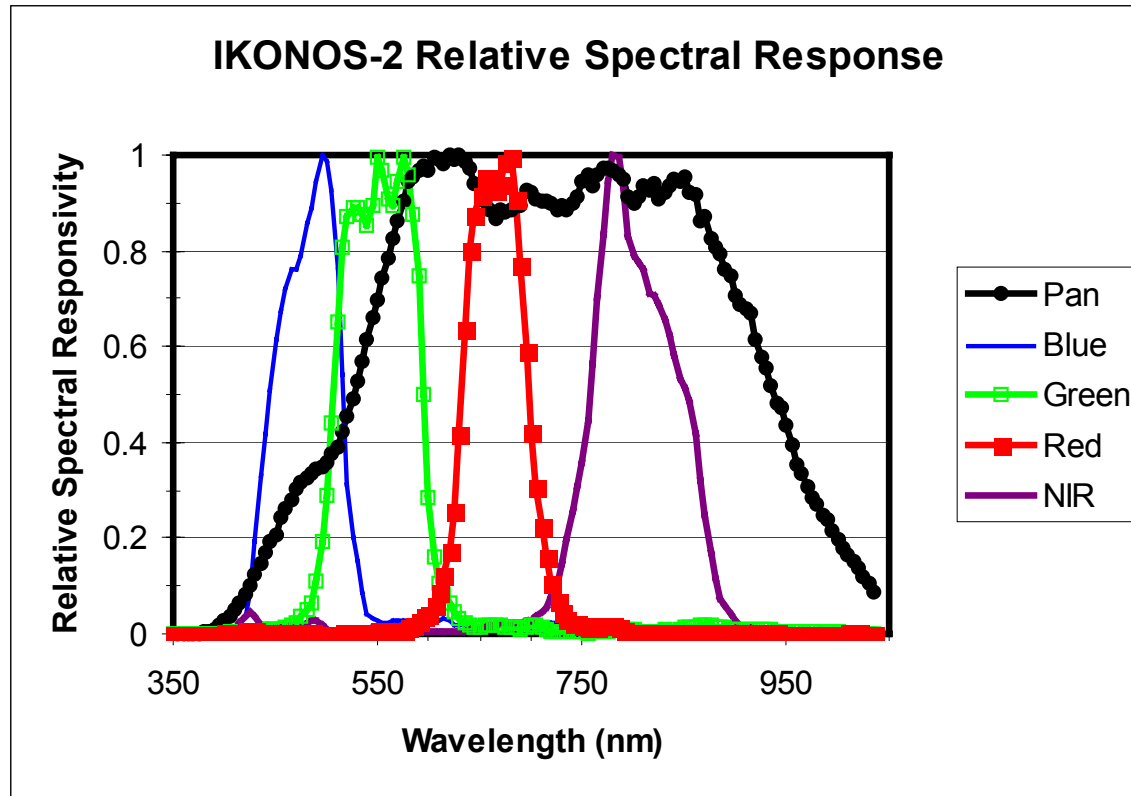


# IKONOS – First Light



- The world of remote sensing changed dramatically on September 24, 1999, with the successful launch of the IKONOS satellite by the Space Imaging company
- The Washington DC image was taken September 30, 1999.

# IKONOS – Spectral Response

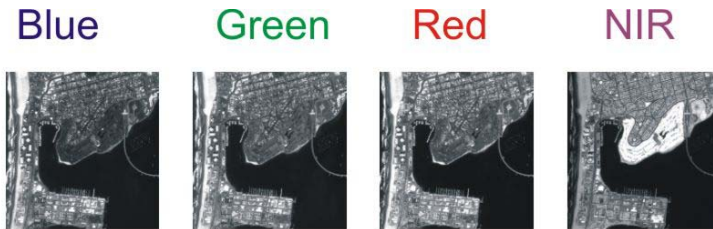


- 4 color bands, one panchromatic band, at 4 and 1-meter resolution, respectively.
- Note that the panchromatic band is not sensitive in the blue portion of the spectrum, but has a significant response in the near-IR.



# Pan Sensor – IR sensitivity

- The panchromatic sensor has a spectral response which is low in the blue, but significant in the NIR.
- As a consequence, vegetation is bright.



RGB Composite



Grey scale version  
of RGB

Pan channel

This is what you  
would get with  
b&w film

# Severodvinsk - Overview



**IKONOS - June 13, 2001**

# Severodvinsk – Navy Yard

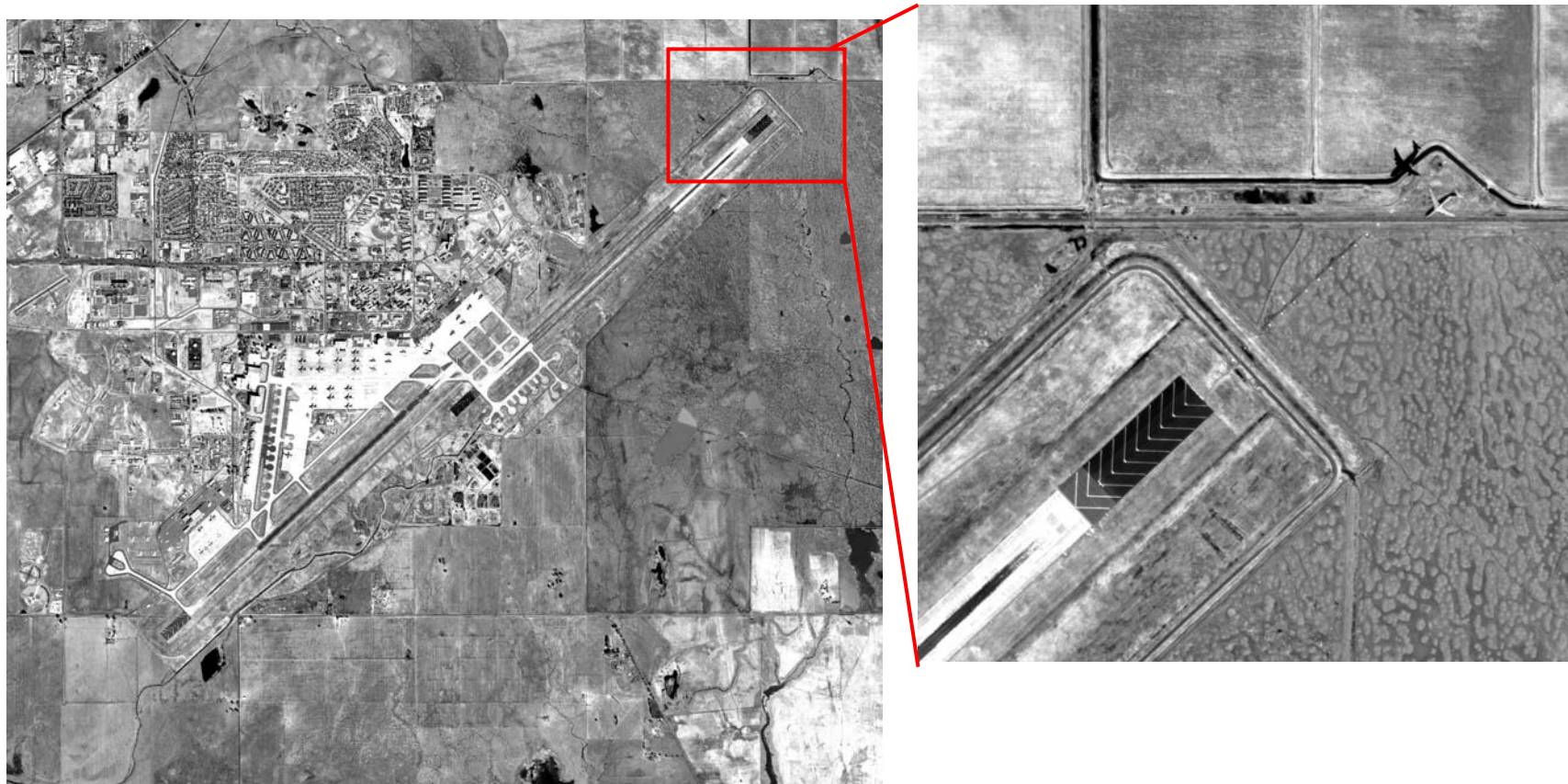


# IKONOS Telemetry, Orbit

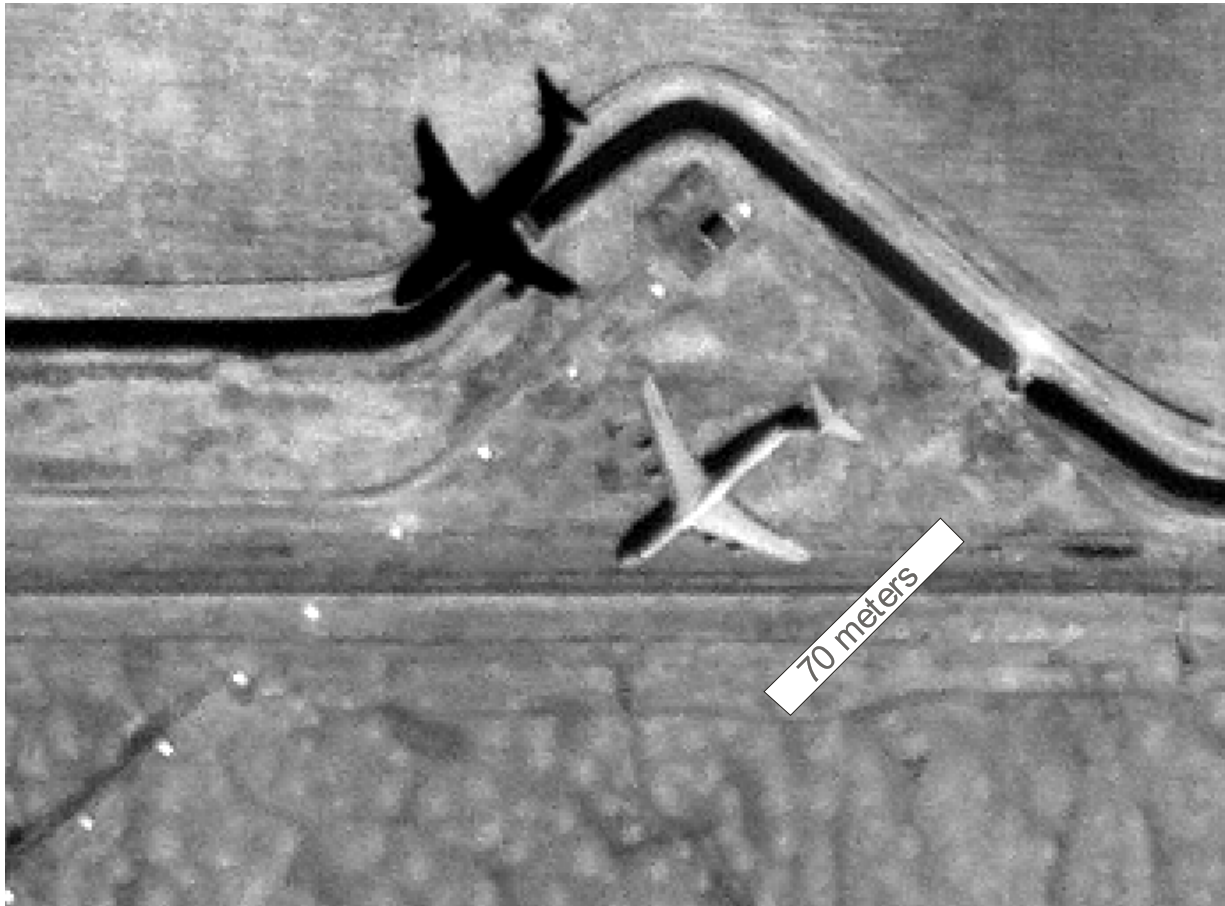
- Telemetry
  - 64 Gbits onboard storage
  - X-band downlink at 320 Mbps
  - Multiple Ground Stations
- Orbit
  - Altitude: 681 kilometers / 423 miles
  - Inclination angle: 98.1 deg,
  - Sun-synchronous
    - Descending nodal crossing time: 10-11 a.m.
  - Period: 98 minutes



# Travis AFB



# Transport Airplane



- The effective “shutter speed” of the sensor is quite fast – effectively less than a milli-second.
- You can measure the height of the airplane by looking at the shadow, and since you know the distance to the touchdown point, things like air-speed.

# Exposure Time

**For a satellite moving at 7 km/s, what must the exposure time be?**

- Assume: the satellite can't move more than a portion of 1-meter during the exposure
- For a 1-meter pixel, that means less than 0.14 milli-seconds.
- Rule of thumb for CCD devices is they are roughly as sensitive as ASA 100 film
- Old photography rule – exposure time in seconds is  $\sim 1/\text{ASA}$  at f/11-f/16
- IKONOS is f/14.3, so the exposure time ought to be  $\sim 10$  milli-seconds.
- How do you fix this?
- Time-Domain-Integration (TDI) on the chip
  - This allows for a wider dynamic range response for the sensor (brightness variations)
  - It provides greater sensitivity (shorter effective exposure times)



# DMSP – US at Night



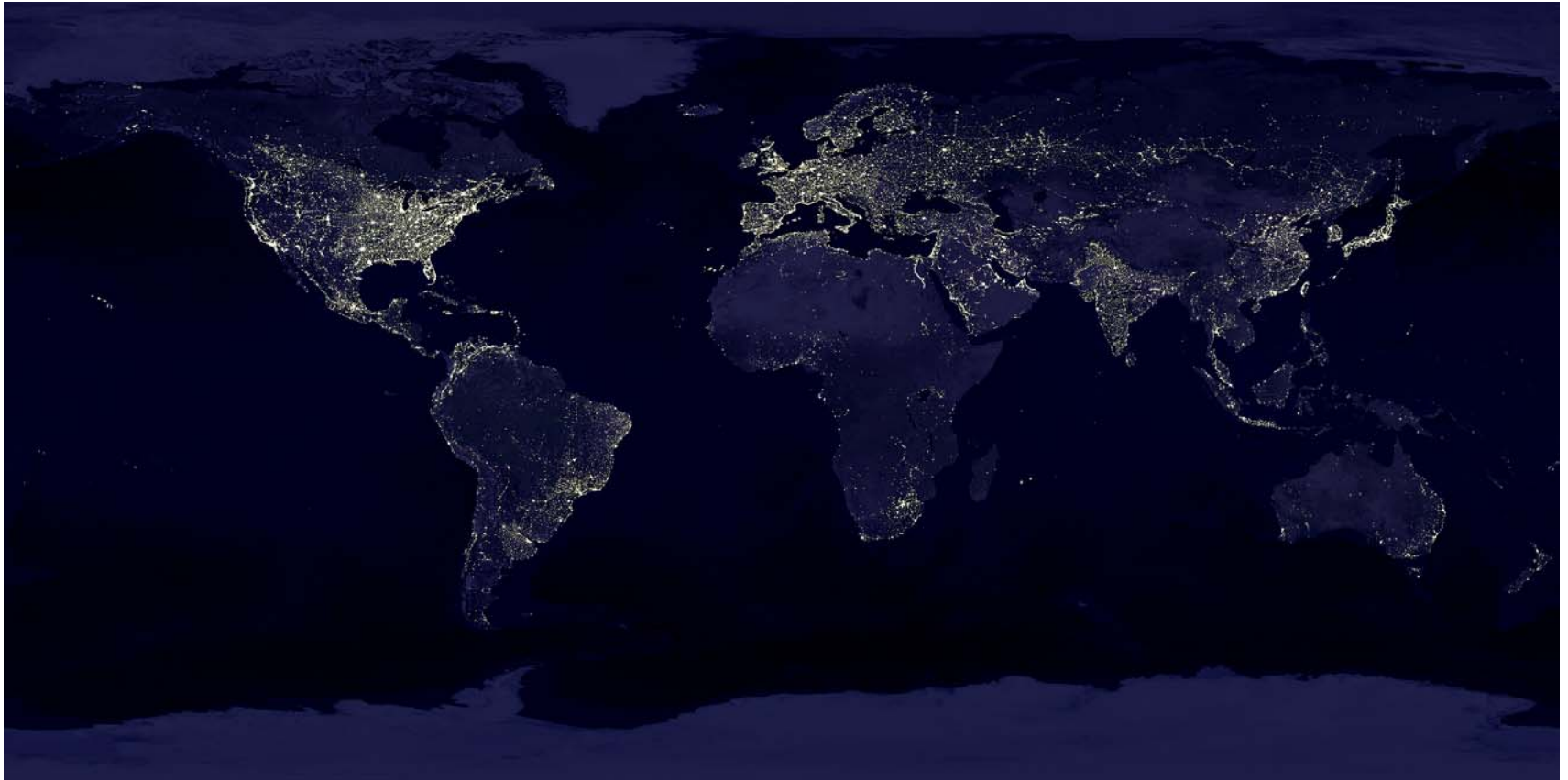
# DMSP - OLS

- The OLS instrument consists of two telescopes and a photo multiplier tube (PMT). The scanning telescope of the OLS has a 20-cm aperture with an effective collecting area of  $239 \text{ cm}^2$  and effective focal length of 1.22 m.
- Telescope pixel values are replaced by Photo Multiplier Tube (PMT) values at night. A PMT pixel is 2.7 km at nadir.
- Swath (Scan Angle): 3000km @ 833km altitude

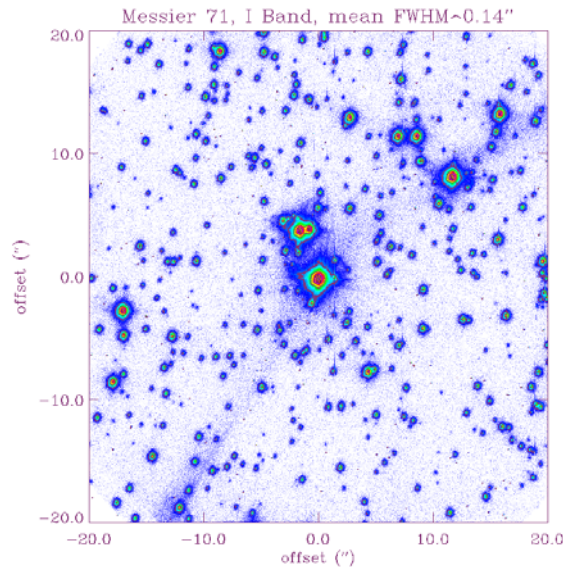
# DMSP – Europe at Night



# DMSP – World at Night



# PUEO's second engineering run images



This is an image of the center of the globular cluster M71 at I band (830 nm). FWHM is 0.10 arcsec (center) to 0.18 arcsec (edges). The natural seeing was 0.30 arcsec (excluding tracking errors and telescope fixed aberrations). This is a 1200 seconds exposure.

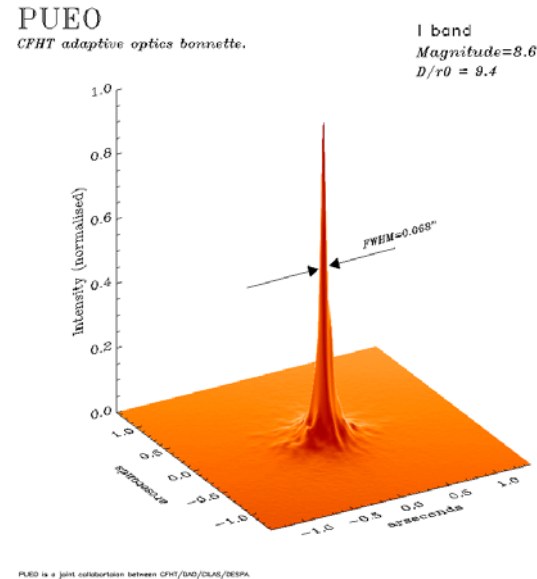


Image of a 8.6 R magnitude star in the I band. The FWHM is 0.068 arcsec. To our knowledge, this is the crispiest long exposure image ever from ground based observations. The Strehl ratio is 13%. Integration time is 2 seconds, which is kinda short but is sufficient to get a meaningful average in close-loop. D/r0 is 9.4 at 0.5 microns.

May 3-8, 1996, Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope (CFHT) adaptive optics compensation system. Also called PUEO after the sharp vision Hawaiian owl. The telescope is 3.6 meter in diameter. The observatory is located atop the summit of Mauna Kea, a 4200 meter, dormant volcano located on the island of Hawaii.